Fireworks on Jupiter, Sparks in Washington

To Fend Off Killer Comets, U.S. Plans Network of Early Warning Telescopes

By William J. Broad
New York Times Service

NEW YORK - The Chicken Little crowd, which once drew smiles by suggest-ing that Earth could be devastated by killer ing that Partin cound be devastated by affice rocks from outer space, is suddenly finding its warnings and agenda taken seriously now that Jupiter has taken a beating in recorded history's biggest show of cosmic

The political fallout from the Jovian fireworks is still developing, and the test of whether it will translate into a federal program may be a year or more away. But federal plans are being laid to create a \$50 million network of early warning tele-scopes that one day might help save Earth from collision with an icy intruder.

"You're going to see this thing take off like a rocket," Representative George E. Brown Jr., Democrat of California, who heads the House Science Committee, said of the plans in an interview. "It's going to be easy to sell in the Congress.

On July 20, as the bombardment of Jupiter by fragments of Comet Shoemak-cr-Levy 9 produced startling images of Earth-sized fireballs, Mr. Brown's committee voted to require the space agency to track any major comets or asteroids that threaten to hit Earth.

Astronomers already know of more than 100 whose paths occasionally cross Earth's orbit and estimate that as many as 2,000 may be speeding through space on such paths.

NASA reacted quickly to the commit-tee's vote, starting a feasibility study of a warning system. The six-person study panel is to be headed by Eugene Shoemaker, a discoverer of the comet fragments that slammed into Jupiter from July 16 to 23, igniting flashes that outshone the planet.

The NASA report is to be ready by February, after which Mr. Brown and his allies will lobby for the creation of a federal early warning program, beginning in the budget for the 1996 fiscal year.

"Nobody is going to dismiss this," said Dr. Robert L. Park, a physicist at the University of Maryland and spokesman for the American Physical Society, the na-tion's preeminent group of physicists. In theory, if the warning time were suffi-cient, a comet or asteroid found to be on a collision course with Earth could be divert-

ed by a nuclear-armed rocket detonated nearby. Comets and asteroids are rubble left over from the creation of the solar system. Comets are composed of ice, perhaps with rocky nuclei, while asteroids are made of rocks and metals. Often miles in diameter, such celestial debris hurtles through the

miles a second. Asteroids loop continually through the solar system's interior, and the ones passing near Earth tend to orbit the Sun once every couple of years. Advanced warning of collision is possible because they can be repeatedly observed and their looping orbits projected centuries into the future.

solar system at speeds of up to dozens of

in contrast, comets hall from the far fringes of the solar system and have orbital periods up to millions of years in length. Thus, warning might be possible for only a year or so before a comet's headlong crash

Today the skies tend to be scanned for potential intruders only by mom-and-pop operations, often using borrowed telescopes. Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 was discovered last year while Mr. Shoemaker, a retired geologist, his wife, Carolyn, and David H. Levy, an amateur astronomer, were hunting for comets and asteroids with a small, 18-inch telescope atop Mount Pal-omar in Southern California. The comet they found looked like a string of 21 pearls,

The discovery was sheer luck. Light clouds had dulled the sparkles of the night sky, prompting the team to debate whether it could afford the luxury of trying to take sky photos under less-than-ideal conditions when its film budget was so tight. In the end, the team used old, partly exposed film, which nonetheless was able to cap-

fure a clear image of the string of pearls.

It is possible that the comet might never have been found if the team had decided to scrap its observations that night, Mr. Levy



WARSAW COOL-DOWN --- A Polish scout pouring water down the back of an honor guard to provide some relief in the heat Monday as they commemorated the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising against the Nazis. Page 2.

Persecution of Christians Mounts in Iran

By Chris Hedges

TEHRAN - The Islamic government of Iran, which has often been criticized by human rights groups for its treatment of religious minorities, is mounting the fiercest campaign since the 1979 revolution against the small Christian minority here.

church leaders and Western diplomats say. Three Christian leaders have been killed since the beginning of the year. Churches have been shut down. Scores of young Christians, many converts from Islam, have been imprisoned and tortured, especially in the cities of Gorgan and Kermanshah, church officials say. And pastors have been expelled from parishes or are

"Even by the standards of Iran, the current crackdown is extraordinary," said a senior Western diplomat. Iranian officials deny mistreating Chris-

tians and other religious sects. They blame an Iraqi-based opposition group, the People's Mujahidin, for the killings of the churchmen, and have presented reporters three women who say they belonged to the organization and carried out the killings. The opposition group de-

nies the charge. Iranian officials contend that evangelical churches here have other agendas bedes worship.

"We consider them to be a political organization," said M. Jarad Zarif, an Iranian deputy foreign minister.

Under the Islamic government, life has never been easy for Iranians who do not belong to the Shiite Muslim majority. Christian schools were taken over hy the government after the revolution. The publication of Christian texts, while legal. rarely receives the necessary approval. Positions in the government, state-owned businesses, and even universities are reserved for those who uphold strict "Islamic

In a population of roughly 62 million people, Iran's religious minorities include 3.5 million Sunni Muslims, 350,000 followers of the Baha'i faith, 80,000 Christians, and 30,000 Jews, according to official sta-

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Repatriation Slowed by Safety Fears For Rwanda

Senior UN Aide Urges Caution, Overturning Advice From the Field

By Keith Richburg

GOMA, Zaire - The UN High Commissioner for Refugees, Sadako Ogata, said Monday she was unsure Rwanda was secure enough for refugees to return home despite the horrendous conditions in their squalid and disease-ridden camps in this Zaire border town.

Mrs. Ogata'a view on repatriation for the more than 1 million refugees here was far more cautious than the position of her representatives in the field. For days, they have heen encouraging the refugees to go home. United Nations refugee officials have even heen planning to set up a radio station this week to broadcast the message that Rwanda is safe enough for the refugees to return.

The numbers returning home have dropped from 1,600 a day through the border point at Goma to less than 1,000 because of a stepped-up propaganda cam-paign by the ousted Hutu government-in-

exile to keep them in Zaire. UN and other aid officials have said that a mass repatriation of the refugees was the only solution to a staggering humanitarian crisis that has overwhelmed relief efforts and turned the sprawling refugee settle-ments into veritable death camps of disease and despair.

Mrs. Ogata's remarks, made after a hrief tour of the camps, seemed to add more confusion to the debate over repatriation while highlighting hureaucratic splits with-

in the office of UN's refugee body.

Mrs. Ogata said she had met with officials of the new Rwanda Patriotic Front government in the capital, Kigali, and that they had assured her they were committed to national reconciliation after nearly four months of massacres and a bloody civil

But she seemed to indicate that she would not take at face value the Patriotic Front's assurances that refugees who re-

turn would be well-received and protected. "I think all the things they are saying are the right things," Mrs. Ogata said. But she added, "I'll never say they should go home until I'm absolutely convinced that everything is all right."

She said convincing the refugees to re-turn was a question of "protection and confidence-building."

She said the Patriotic Front had given her guarantees, hut added: "To say something is very welcome. We have to see a

little hit more." Mrs. Ogata agreed that "the solution is

return" for this ongoing crisis, and said that the United Nations would assist any See RWANDA, Page 4

Romania Is Left in the Dust as Eastern Europe Speeds Forward

under surveillance.

By David B. Ottaway

Westington Post Service
CLUJ, Romania — "Sorry, we do not have any milk," said the waiter at Chij's best hotel; the Continental. "Unless you want powdered milk." Nor was there fresh-brewed coffee. Just the pow-

dered variety.

Nearly five years after the people of Romania rose up against the dictatorship of Nicolae Ceausescu, and after four years of half-hearted efforts at free enterprise, this country is being left behind in fast-

Crossing the border from Hungary into Romania involves more than the usual passport and customs checks. It is like jumping back into a Europe of long

Along the 100 miles from Artand on the Hungarian border to Clui, farmers could be seen cutting and stacking hay and hanling it to their barns. No one was using machinery, just scythes and wooden pitchforks pastoral, picturesque and utterly pre-industrial.

Romania stands as a reminder that Eastern Euchanging Eastern Europe. rope, after throwing off-its socialist shackles, is fast

dividing into two camps — those who are making it and those who are not.

Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic were aiready far ahead of Romania and Alhania in economic development even in the worst of Communist times. All three have experienced problems in converting to modern economies, but are moving for-

Romania seems to be standing still. Cluj is one of the main cities of Transylvania, a region regarded by Romanians as relatively well off, a land of bardworking peasants on productive land, many of them

of the Hungarian ethnic minority. Yet signs of progress are hard to find. Not a single tractor was seen along the Artand-Cluj road. Cows were a rare sight, which apparently explains why there is no fresh milk at the Continental

The city has practically no restaurants because, according to residents, nobody can afford to eat in them on average salaries of \$65 a month.

Many analysts hlame Romania's economic st. gna-

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Beijing Gives Chinese Investors a Break

SHANGHAI — China's domestic stock markets reversed half of a yearlong losing streak in one session Monday, with the Shanghai market rocketing 36 percent and the Shenzhen bourse jumping 34 percent.

The wild rises came after Benjing an-

nounced moves to halt losses that threatened to undermine Chinese investors' faith in their fledgling stock markets. The govgrument also hinted at greater foreign inolvement in domestic trading far sooner than most observers ever expected.

But analysts and executives with compa-

mes whose shares joined the rally from record lows raised concerns that Monday's steep turnaround owed more to manipulation than a return of investors' confidence.

A Friday decision to freeze the issuance of new shares to markets that had shed more than 70 percent since January and eventually allow Chinese-foreign fund management firms into the domestic market on a trial basis was widely expected to bolster trading.

But it was not clear whether the government, nervous about the destabilizing effects of a continuing rout, had orchestrated the break-out through its control of

securities firms and large state enterprises. "We don't know yet whether it was individuals or state-backed bodies doing the buying," said Paul Vibert, research head with Baring Securities Ltd. in Shanghai. "We will see if it continues tomorrow. I don't think it is sustainable."

Some were even more skeptical. "The government must be pushing it up," said an executive with a leading company that has issued both A shares, which

are reserved for locals, and B shares, where stocks denominated in U.S. or Hong Kong dollars are restricted to non-Chinese inves-"Individuals are too worried about this

market to buy on such a scale," the executive said. "I think many small investors will make their escape with prices where they are now. It will be difficult for prices to hold steady now."

After more than 40 years in mothballs, stock ownership in China has been transformed in less than four from a sure ticket to riches to a steady diet of pessimism. Before Monday, the A share index had fallen more than 80 percent from its Febmary 1993 peak, wiping out the savings of

high-yielding government bonds a safer alternative. "Many people are angry with the government for letting this happen," a local broker said of reactions among the nearly 5 million Chinese who have invested in the local markets. "I think Beijing acted be-

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A boy returning home Monday to Rwanda from a refugee camp in Zaire was given a lift on an aid agency's track.

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Berlusconi Takes A Beating in Poll

ROME (AFP) — The popularity rating of Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi has plunged 12 percent after an attempt to clip magistrates' powers and a conflict of interest controversy.

Mr. Berlusconi's rating fell to 21.4 percent in an opinion poll taken at the end of July, down 12 percentage points from February.

Mr. Berlusconi will address Parliament on Tuesday to try to put out

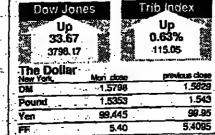
dence after the debate. General News As pressure mounts, Haiti's junta de-Page 4.

clares a state of siege. Page 7 Book Review Page 7. Chess



HONG KONG COLLAPSE — A fire fighter atop a concrete canopy that fell onto a sidewalk Monday, killing a woman and injuring 16.

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Trouble With the Triads Caps Jimmy Lai's Climb By Edward A. Gargan

New York Times Service HONG KONG - Two things changed Jimmy Lai's life forever: half a chocolate bar that he ate in 1957, and the massacre around Tiananmen Square in Beijing 32

"When I was 9, I was in Canton, just selling things on the street, stealing things," he said, recalling the young Lai Chi Ying.

"I tried to help this guy, he had two big bags," he said. "A packet of something fell out of his pocket, and he broke it in half and said to eat it. I tasted this and said, 'What is that?' He said, 'Chocolate, chocolate from Hong Kong.' From that day, I said I wanted to go to Hong

Three years later, rurled up in the bottom of a smelly, wave-tossed teacup c. a boat, he was smuggled to Hong

The former street uronin came to run one of Asia's biggest chains of clothing stores, Giordano's, and to

Giordano Holdings' earnings jump as sales rise. Page 13.

publish Hong Kong's largest circulation weekly magazine. The journal of politics, crime, fashion, and lifestyles has managed with its exposes of corruption to enrage China and to provoke Hong Kong's criminal gangs.

In the last few months, firebombs have been thrown at Mr. Lai's home and paint at his clothing stores, and the

police believe the gangs are responsible. Then in early July, China sued his magazine for libel.

"I don't care," Mr. Lai said. "If we don't do it,

someone else will." Like many of his fellow refugees, when he arrived in Hong Kong he brought with him little education or skills, but a ferocious determination to succeed. He went to

work stitching gloves in a factory. Seven years later, he had become the manager of a large textile factory. "From there I worked until I started my own factory," he said. "I found I could not take

orders from other people." In 1975, Mr. Lai opened his garment factory. "I sold to retailers like the Limited and the Gap." he said. "But I

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A Month After Opening, Serbian Murder Camp Ran at Top Speed

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service

VLASENICA, Bosnia-Herzegovina -The Scrbian concentration camp of Susica, where about 3,000 Muslims died and thousands more were imprisoned before exile, began its work in June 1992. Within a month, the pace of killing and expulsioo of

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Muslims accelerated, and by the end of September, there were no Muslims left in Vlasenica and scant evidence of the savagery they had suffered.

But now, two years later, a Serbian guard at the camp and dozens of Muslim survivors have come forward to provide the first account of a camp's operation to be corroborated by both sides in the Bosnian war. Their convergent portrayals, cooveyed in separate, independent interviews, establish Susica's function as the systematic elimination of Muslims.

The guard, Pero Popovic, 36, who deserted from the Serbian Army in January 1993, made it clear in three interviews with The New York Times that executions at the camp were a nightly occurrence and that a unit of the the Serb-dominated Yugoslav Army opened the way for the "cleansing" of Vlasenica by surrounding and disarming its Muslim population a few weeks before the camp opeoed.

A Singular Sadism

Susica, a former army depot, began its work in May 1992 and within a month was operating at high speed. The orchestrator of the proceedings there was a Serh in his mid-30s oamed Dragan Nikolic, who was widely known by his nickname, "Yankee," Mr. Popovie and survivors of the camp

A former employee of the the local alu-

minum company called Alpro, Mr. Nikolic now works for the Bosnian Serbian secret police. As commander of the camp from about June 10, Mr. Nikolic appears to have displayed a singular sadism

Every night, Mr. Popovic and camp survivors said, Mr. Nikolic, a tall slim figure with a nasal voice, would come into the hangar and point to men or read out a list of names. Shortly afterward, people inside the hangar would hear shooting. The men selected never returned. Mr. Popovic said they were generally lined up against an electricity pylon just outside the hangar and shot.

"Nikolic and his cronies often seemed drunk," said Zijad Zeimic, who entered Susica on June 2 as one of the camp's first prisoners. "There was a deathly silence when they came in and we had to put our faces down. It did not seem like there was much of a system. They just came in drunk and pointed to people.

Executions of small groups took place within the camp, just outside the hangar. Mr. Popovic said. But large-scale executions — which generally happened in re-prisal for the killing in the war of a local Serb — were carried out at a oearby ravine called Han Ploca.

Men were loaded into the hack of a truck, taken up to the edge of the ravine, about five miles away, and then shot as they emerged from the vehicle, he said. Groups of young soldiers were hrought in to perform the executions. The bodies fell into the ravine and bulldozers were used to cover them over.

Mr. Popovie said: "Io mid-June I witoessed the execution at the ravine of 26 people. One man got away by running down into the woods as he got out of the truek. In all, at least 1,000 people were executed up there. At first the executions

Payoffs From Victims

Asked about Mr. Nikolie's motives, Mr. Popovic said he believed he was influenced Serbian nationalist propaganda and was also making a lot of money from his

"Nikolic was taking everything of value from the Muslims," Mr. Popovic said. "One woman offered me 18,000 German marks to arrange her release. There were nearly 20,000 Muslims in the county. So you can imagine the money that was being

The Serbian concentration camp of Susica near this eastern Bosnian town had been functioning for just over a month when, on July 8, 1992, a Serbian soldier came to the home of Rafija Hadzie and ordered her to undress.

An hour before, her husband, Ejuh Hadzic, had been arrested and taken away. Like many other young Muslim women from Vlasenica, she has oever seen her husband again.

"My 8-year-old daughter was standing in the room, but the soldier beat me with the hutt of his gun and cut me with a knife," said Mrs. Hadzic, who is now a refugee in the town of Kladani.

Mrs. Hadzie and her daoghter were taken to the Susica camp, where they arrived at about 7:30 P.M. Inside a large hangar, she said she found about 700 Muslim resi-dents of the Vlasenica area — men, women and children - massed on a concrete

"I was there for 10 days," she said. "During that time, I saw one man's ear cut off by the Serbs, and two others killed. The men killed were Ismet Dedie and Galib Music. People were beaten every day. Sometimes a dead body would lie in the

Eventually, Mrs. Hadzic and her daughter were taken up to the front line ocar Kladanj and made to walk down into government-held territory.

The treatment of Mrs. Hadzic reflected the worsening situation for the Mushims of Vlasenica at the beginning of July. Al-though just six months earlier, there had been only small hints of ethnic tensions in this mixed Bosnian town, the outbreak of war in April had unleashed a pent-up fury among heavily armed Serbs that left Mus-lim civilians helpless.

On July 5, however, the emergent forces of the Muslim-led Bosnian government hit back, killing a local Serbian hero in Vlasenica. He was Dragoljub Stojisic, whose nickname was "Kalimero," a popular Serbian cartoon character.

"Kalimero was loved by all the Serbs," Mr. Popovic said. "He was a hrilliant auto electrician and a very brave fighter. He and his cousin, Danilo, died in an ambush at Barica, about two miles from town. After that, in reprisal, about 300 Muslim prisoners were killed by firing squad. One of those killed was a man called Ibrahim

Betrayed by Neighbors

Like other refugees whose husbands have disappeared, Mrs. Hadzie still appears stummed and incredulous. Unlike Nazi camps during World War II, Susica was a camp in which torture and death were meted ont by soldiers on people who had been their immediate neighbors.

In testimony to the depth of pathological hatreds in the Balkans, the former Muslim friends of Serbs in Vlasenica were suddenly demonized as fellow Slavs who had committed "treason" centuries ago by

took place during the day, but later they were all at night." hangar for hours, before the guards came with a bag and took it away. converting to Islam during the long occupation of the Ottoman Turks.

"A complete wall came down on Vlasenica in early May 1992," said Fikra Atalov. "The Serbs would not even say hello to us any more."

By September 1992, the only Muslims in Viasenica left were old people or invalids whom the Serbs had refrained from shifting before. Now it was their turn.

On Sept. 15, 1992, the Serbs came to the home of Tima Handric. Aged 93, she was lying on a bed when a Serbian soldier kicked in the door of her Vlasenica home and ordered her to come with him.

"Kili me at my door," she said, "I can't

'Go to Your Alija'

The soldier replied: "I don't want to kill you. But you have to come with me."

Mrs Handzic's daughter, Meyra, was also in the house, "We had no shoes on," she said, "so I asked to be able to get some shoes. But the soldier said no."

The two women were driven down to Susica camp, where they found several hundred people sprawled on the concrete floor of the hangar. "I thought, 'Oh, my God, we're dead'," Meyra Handzic said.

A surprise awaited her. Among the prisoners was her son, Suljo Handzic, who had been arrested on June 1. As Meyra Handzic recalled, her son approached her, embraced her and said: "Now that you are here, I see that it's finished. There is no hope for me."

Tima and Meyra Hanzie were loaded onto a bus the following afternoon and driven, in the usual procedure, to a village near Kladanj. "Go to your Alija," was the parting order from their Serbian guard, referring to the Muslim president of Bos-nia, Alija Izetbegovic.

In Kladani, Meyra Handzic found another of her sons, Abdulah Handzic, a passionate chess player whose friendship with the Serbian president of the Vlasenica. chess club had saved him. On May 17, 1992, armed with a special pass provided to him by the president of the chess club, Abdulah Handzic had escaped Vlasenica. Now he is a soldier in the 1st Muslim

brigade of the 11 Corps of the Bosnian Mr. Handzic is driven by the hope that he will find his brother, Suljo. The family has no word of him since he was last seen

by Meyra and Tima Handzic in Susica

But Mr. Popovic, the Serbian guard, said that Suljo Handzic is dead. "He was executed," he said.

In the last mouth of its operation, com-mand of Susica camp was taken over by an officer in the Bosnian Serb army, Major Mile Jacimovic, Mr. Popovic said. Major Jacimovic, he said, was utterly ruthless in his determination to root out all Mushins from Vlasenica

By the end of September, Major Jacimo-vic had decided to close the Susica camp. Asked if this was the result of concern that the camp might be found, following the discovery in early August of Omarska camp near Banja Luka, Mr. Popovic said:

"No, it was simply that there were no more Muslims in the Vlasenica area, and Jacimovic and Nikolic had taken all the money they could from the Muslims."

Major Jacimovic decided that most of

the surviving 200 prisoners should be executed, Mr. Popovie said.
"Over half of them were taken up to the ravine and shot," he said. "The others were taken up toward the front line to the west." and put to work digging trenches near

After its closure, Susica became what it had been before: a military depot.

WORLD BRIEFS

Syria Rejects Peace Appeal by Israel

DAMASCUS (Renters) — Syria rejected a call by the Israeli
prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, for a peace gesture, saying Monday that it was up to Israel to take such a step since it occupies

The Tishrin daily said Israel should publicly state its commitment to withdraw fully from the Golan Heights and southern Lebanon to advance the 33-month-old Israeli-Syrian peace oego-

on Sunday, Mr. Rabin-urged President Hafez Assad to take a

public step to persuade the Israeli public that Damascus was ready to follow the Palestine Liberation Organization and Jordan

IRA Ready for Cease-Fire, Paper Says

DUBLIN (NYT) — The outlawed Irish Republican Army has "strongly indicated" that it is preparing to suspend for at least a month its campaign of killing in Northern Ireland. The Irish Times reported Monday.

The newspaper, usually accurate in its Northern Ireland reports, said "Republican sources in Belfast" indicated that the IRA was setting ready to agreement later this month a unilateral case.

was getting ready to announce later this month a unilateral cease

fire to last at least one month, and maybe two or three, possibly to

begin in September, Independent political analysts with contacts in Republican circles in the north confirmed the report.

2 French Officials Face Prosecution

TOULON, France (Combined Dispatches) — Senator Maurice Arreckx was charged here Monday with corruption and breach of trust over a kickback scandal involving a building contract in this

Mr. Arreckx, 76, was questioned for six hours before being harged. He was to be held overnight in the Beaumettes prison in

Meanwhile, the former mayor of Nice, Jacques Médecin, will be extradited to France from Uruguay at the end of the month to face

corruption and fraud charges, legal sources said Monday. The

Appeals Court in Montevideo announced earlier that it had voted

to extradite Mr. Médecin, 66, who fled to Uruguay in 1990 after

the French police issued a warrant for his arrest. (AFP, Reuters)

Syrian and other Arab lands:

Marseille, the office said.

in ending the state of war with Israel.

West Seems Unable To Deter the Serbs

Allies Are Badly Outflanked

By John Pomfret

Washington Past Service SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Employing a series of maneuvers, both political and military, the Bosnian Serbs have launched ooe of their most successful assaults ever oo the international community and

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the Bosnian Muslims, effectively hurying a peace plan that would end Bosnia's 27-moothold war by compelling them to surrender almost one-third of the territory they have conquered.

Over the course of the last month, while Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, Defense Secretary William J. Perry and senior officials from Russia, Germany, Britain and France issued blunt statements demanding approval of the seems willing to accept." plan, Serbian forces have simultaneously attempted to divide the international community and coovince dichard anti-Serbian countries, including the United States, that further interventioo in Bosnia would be

too costly. what the Clintoo administration has called "the last chance for peace in Bosnia" illustrates the inability of the international community to alter the course of Europe's bloodiest conflict since World War II.

other page in the history of the ioternational community's troubled relationship with this country and could pave the way for the recognition of changes in internationally recognized boundaries by force.

In Bosnia, the plan's demise means more death for Bosnian Muslims, Serhs and Croats. Already, United Nations officers speak of the occessity of limiting new fighting to an "acceptable level of violence." Since the conflict erupted in April 1992, more than 200,000 people have died and 2 million have lost their homes.

"As long as they don't start killing womeo and childreo again, this thing will muddle along for quite some time," said a UN officer. "That's the level the international community

Western analysis here say, is that the international commuuity's behavior in Bosnia has become predictable. Each oew peace proposal does oot come with a new approach.

oo costly. "We've got to introduce un-The successful assault oo certainty into the process to start the Serbs guessing," said a Western diplomat. "Otherwise will be the same old game."

The latest Serhiao move came Monday, a diplomatic gambit that followed several days of violence pinpointed for



One of the key problems. A Bosnian Serbian patrol wearing gas masks to protect against chlorine-charged anumunition used by Muslim forces.

maximum effect. The Serbian leadership responded to a declaratioo made by the United States, Russia, Britain, Germaoy and France over the weekeod that threateoed increased ecocomic sanctions and other possible penalties if the Serbs

did oot sign the plan. The statement called for oew negotiations oo the plan that would divide Bosoia ioto

run hy Serhs. Significantly, however, the response included demands to change the plan's map and for international recognition for the Serbian hreakaway republie in Bosnia, two cooditions already rejected by the five powers.

In addressing their response to Russia, Britain and France, and excluding the United States and Germany, the Bosnian Serroughly equal parts, one coo-trolled hy a federation of ting the fragile international bian statement aimed at split-Croats and Muslims, the other consensus on Bosnia that was

reflected in the mild threats at the foundation of Sarajevo's made against the Serbs.

On the battlefront, the Serbs have taken a series of measures designed to coovince the inter- air market killed 68 people. national community that military intervention would be ex-tremely painful. They included an assault oo a Ukrainian plane that resulted in the closure of Sarajevo's airport, and an attack on a UN convoy carrying

process aimed at whittling away an positions.

successful cease-fire, established in February after a mortar attack on Sarajevo's open-

UN officials oow regularly voice fears that with the peace plan collapsing around them, the mostly-Muslim Bosnian Army would soon increase its attempts to provoke Serbian attacks m an effort to lure North food and supplies into Sarajevo. Atlantic Treaty Organization
These steps were part of a warplanes into bombing Scrbi-

TRAVEL UPDATE

French Dispute Prolongs Air Chaos

PARIS (AP) — Long delays in flights over southern France persisted Monday due to a traffic controllers' dispute, disrupting.

traffic in neighboring countries and threatening to drag on. Controllers in the region's main center at Aix-en-Provence staged a weekend strike two weeks ago and have since refused to work overtime, said a spokeswoman for the natioo's aviation authority. The delays in Nice are like yesterday, about three hours," she said. Nice, the island of Corsica, and popular vacation spots in northern Spain also were affected.

Portuguese train drivers began a five-day stoppage of intercity, main-line and international services Monday to demand a shorter working week and a higher professional status, a unioo official said on Monday.

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines will be allowed to fly to two more Russian destinations, alongside existing services to Moscow and St. Petersburg, following an agreement with Russia, the Dutch Transportation Ministry said.

Near Valencia, Spain, hundreds of fire fighters and soldiers battled to control a wildfire Monday that forced 320 people from their isolated homes. The fire was burning around Requena, 60kilometers (35 miles) west of Valencia.

Striking Los Angeles bus mechanics reached a tentative contract agreement on Monday with the city's transit authority, but they did not immediately end the walkout. The announcement came as the strike was entering a second week.

A total of 10 kilometers (6 miles) of Paris-bound lanes of the A6 expressway between Orly and Paris will be closed for roadworks from Tuesday until Aug. 24, anthorities said Monday. Detour (AP, Reuters) routes have been set up to minimize traffic jams. (AFP)

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Bonn Apology on Warsaw Uprising Day

WARSAW — President Roman Herzog of Germany apologized Monday for the suffering his oatioo caused Poland in World War II in a gesture marking the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Uprising against Nazi occupation.

Mr. Herzog said the anniversary of one

of the bloodiest battles of the war, in which more than 200,000 Poles were killed, should launch oew efforts to huild a more united Europe "Today I bow down before the victims

of the Warsaw Uprising, as before all Pol-ish victims of the war," Mr. Herzog said in a speech delivered in front of a huge monument to the uprising. "I ask for forgiveness for what Germans did to you." "What we oeed is understanding, trust

and good oeighborliness," he said. That can only grow when our peoples put the dark aspects of their recent history completely into the open."

Mr. Herzog was not the first German leader to apologize to Warsaw for the war,

but his gesture was a dramatic climax to four days of events commemorating the

As Poland solemnly marked the anniversary, the enduring controversy over the Russians' failure to aid the insurgents reemerged as a painful theme.

President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia had turned down President Lech Walesa's invitation to attend the commemorations. His depoty spokesman said Monday that Mr. Yeltsin was "overloaded with work."

Mr. Yeltsin instead sent his chief of staff, Sergei A. Filatov, who set a concilia-tory tone before leaving Moscow by saying Poles and Russians alike were victims of Soviet totalitarianism under Stalin.

But the Moscow oewspaper Pravda accused Polish historians on Saturday of "trying to rewrite history" hy stressing that the uprising failed chiefly because the advancing Soviet Army halted on the eastern bank of the Vistula River and looked oo as the Nazis snuffed out the insurgents. "We had better not quote what the PolPravda, voice of Russia's Communist opposition. "It's simply insulting." The revolt's failure allowed Stalin to cement control over postwar Poland.

In official ceremonies at the Tomb of

the Unknown Soldier on Monday, red-bereted soldiers and aged uprising veterans in World War II-era uniforms marched in 36 degree centigrade (97 Fahrenheit) heat past Mr. Walesa and other Polish leaders. No veterans were to march before foreign dignitaries, including Vice President Al Gore, Prime Minister John Major of

Britain and Mr. Herzog.

"Herzog should march before us and ask for forgiveness," said Witold Stankiewicz, 67, expressing the feelings of many of his fellow uprising veterans. "In front of our eyes we watched the Germans line up civil-

ians and shoot them." About 6 million of Poland's inhabitants were killed during World War II, including million Jews.

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Federal Marshals Are Sent to Protect Abortion Clinics

"We're taking all prudent steps," Ms. Reno told reporters in response to questions about attacks on elinics and clinic workers. "It's a problem throughout the nation."

Assignment of marshals for clinic protection follows the killing of an abortion doctor and his escort on Friday in Pensacola, Florida, and the firebombing of a clinic in Falls Church, Virginia,

Ms. Reno declined to say how many marshals were involved or where, but pro-abortion rights groups said they were on duty in Pensacola, Falls hurch, Houston and Wichita, Kansas - each the scene of prior anti-abortion turbulence. The marshals were also in Fargo, North Dakota, the only place in that state where abortions are

WASHINGTON — Federal marshals have former minister and leader of an anti-abortion been sent to protect some abortion clinics after group that advocated justifiable homicide two killings at one clinic and the firebombing of against doctors who perform abortions. He was another. Attorney General Janet Reno an charged with killing Dr. John Britton, and his nounced Monday.

> David Gunn, another doctor who performed abortions, was murdered at another abortion chinic in Pensacola last year. Michael Griffin, a local abortion protester, was convicted of the murder and sentenced to life in prison.

Mr. Hill had defended Mr. Griffin, saying he should not have been convicted.

Sandy Sheldon, co-administrator at Pensacola Women's Medical Services, the clinic where Dr. Gunn was shot dead in March 1993, said: "We're glad that somebody is finally taking us seriously. We are under siege, and it's a very definite

Ms. Sheldon said she had been told that federal officers would be on duty 24 hours a day at Pensacola's two clinics.

Both clinics in Pensacola said they would stay

"We are not quitting," Ms. Sheldon said. Susan Nenney, spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood of Houston and southeast Texas, said marshals were at three or four Houston clinics that have been targets of the strongest

We appreciate that involvement," she said. A spokeswoman in Wichita said U.S. marshals were patrolling two abortion clinics, including one where a doctor was shot and wounded last year. The city was the site of a summer-long protest in 1991, with more than 2,600 arrests.

No one bas been arrested in the Falls Church firebombing, which caused limited damage and no injuries. That incident is being investigated by the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and

Firearms, and the clinic has reopened.

Ms. Reno's dispatch of marshals did not satisfy pro-abortion rights activists who called for a go after the drug runners," Mr. Terry said. "To full-scale federal investigation of a possible concall out federal marshals is an overreaction, and spiracy involving the abortion killings and it only exacerbates an already tense situation." threats against other abortion doctors. (Reuters, A)

"We do not believe that these individuals who pulled the trigger acted alone," Katherine Spillar of the Feminist Majority Foundation said at a demonstration outside the Justice Department.

Ms. Reno said that the Justice Department was investigating to see if there is any organized effort of criminal violence against clinics and those who work in them.

Besides the three abortion clinic shootings. Ms. Spillar and representatives of the National Organization for Women said federal investigators should investigate the death of Dr. Wavne Patterson in Mobile, Alabama, last August.

Dr. Patterson, killed in what the police called a robbery, had performed abortions in Pensacola after Dr. Gunn's death.

An Anti-abortion activist, Randall Terry, condemned the clinic killings but said federal marshals should not be brought in.

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Legal Lid Lifts in Simpson Case

Release of Transcript Spurs Pretrial Dueling

New York Times Service
LOS ANGELES — In mak-

ing public a transcript of the aborted grand jury inquiry in the O. J. Simpson case, the trial judge has provided not only an mtriguing, even titillating, peek at previously undisclosed investigative material but has also given an insight into what is normally a secretive legal pro-

The 460-page transcript, made public over the weekend by Judge Lance A. Ito after pieces of the testimony were publicized by some news orga-nizations, includes testimony that suggests that prosecutors may try to portray Mr. Simpson as a scomed, possessive man whose jealous rage turned to violence, resulting in the bloody slayings of Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald L. Goldman.

would be grossly incorrect.

Mr. Shapiro asserted instead that Mr. Simpson demonstrated in the months before the killings that although he was sorely tried by his former wife's rela-

By B. Drummond Ayres Jr. tionships with other men, he guarantee that neither the de-reacted only verbally and with fense nor prosecution gains un-"great, great control and great fair advantage. restraint."

> would have done something a lot more serious than talk," Mr. Shapiro said in an interview.

Prosecutors refused to discuss the transcript. Evidence about a defendant's

conduct before a crime can be a hotly disputed issue in trials; its admissibility generally depends on how long ago the conduct in question occurred and bow it bears on motive and intent.

Mr. Shapiro refused to discuss what the defense strategy might be if the prosecution tried to enter evidence about his client's earlier conduct.

The release of the grand jury transcript was still another development in the pretrial pub-licity war in the Simpson case. It was because of leaks of infor-But Robert Shapiro, Mr. mation that a judge dismissed Simpson's chief defense lawyer, the grand jury bearing evidence countered that such a portrayal and replaced it with the televised open-court preliminary

> Now, leaks of the grand jury proceedings themselves have forced Judge Ito to unseal the whole record in an effort to

The transcript also discloses "Any lesser man probably that the prosecution has bloodtest results that appear to support its contention that Mr. mpson was the assailant in the June 12 slayings outside Mrs. Simpson's condominium.

> Among those results, according to prosecution blood experts, are findings that a bloody glove picked up at Mr. Simpson's house contains a "possible mixture" of his blood and the blood of both victims.

Earlier, prosecutors had said that blood droplets found at the scene contained many characteristics also found in samples of Mr. Simpson's blood.

There is also testimony in the transcript that Mr. Simpson, who had a cut on his left hand when arrested, told investigators initially that be did not know bow he got the cut, then later said be had apparently injured his band somehow while in Los Angeles on June 12 and then had reinjured it on the morning of June 13, when, after flying to Chicago overnight, be broke a glass when notified of Mrs. Simpson's death.

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Mitchell Says Health Plan Meets Main Goal

WASHINGTON - The Senate majority leader, George J. Mitchell of Maine, emerged from a meeting with President Bill Clinton on Monday promising that his scaled-down health care plan would meet the president's main objective insurance for all Americans.

That's the goal on which the president has never wavered - what I believe we will attain." Mr. Mitchell told reporters outside the White House.

Mr. Mitchell's plan will stretch out the period for covering all Americans and limits employer responsibility for premiums to 50 percent. It is substantially less expansive than the one House leaders unveiled last week and would delay any mandatory requirement for health insurance until at least the turn of the century.

Even then, Mr. Mitchell said, his bill would exempt small businesses from any obligation to pay for their workers' insurance and require other firms to pay only half the cost of insurance, with individuals paying the other half, "I think a vote on that subject would be very close," he said. (AP, WP)

Party Strategists Discover 'Moral Decline'

WASHINGTON — Here's a sign of the times: Former Education Secretary William J. Bennett, whose moralizing Book of Virtues" has been lodged near the top of the bestseller list for months, now has on his desk requests from about 100 Republican candidates to come and speak in their behalf in the fall election.

From coast to coast moral decline is rocketing to the top of the agenda for campaign 1994. In a growing number of races for state and federal office, candidates are lining up to lament the trends in American family life — and linking problems from crime to the decay of the cities to a perceived breakdown in the transmission of values from one generation

Washington Voters Rehabilitate Ex-Mayor

WASHINGTON — At first glance, they seem the most improbable of scenes; crowds hailing Marion S. Barry Jr. as a savior of the city, cheering him on as he seeks a fourth term as

After all, this is the same man whose third term effectively ended four years ago when federal agents videotaped him smoking crack. He was convicted on a misdemeanor charge of cocaine possession and served six months in prison.

But in the strange brew of local politics in Washington. Mr. Barry is marching through rehabilitation and redemp-

In the most recent independent poll of District of Columbia voters, conducted in late June by The Washington Post, 38 percent said they would vote for Mr. Barry, compared with 26 percent for John Ray, a member of the city council, and 16 percent for the current mayor, Sharon Prait Kelly, whose political troubles have left an opening for Mr. Barry.

(NYT)

Quote/Unquote

Robert W. Tucker, a foreign policy expert at Johns Hopkins University: "Clinton is caught in a dilemma of his own making. He came into office intending to concentrate on domestic affairs, but he made a lot of commitments on foreign policy during the campaign, on Bosnia and Haiti and other issues. And he wanted to fulfill them without the use of American military power. He has developed something new under the sun: the idea of bloodless war. The only problem is that it doesn't exist."

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are concerned that the Pentagon cannot afford its strategy of being prepared to fight two regional wars at the same time. The General Accounting Office says the Defense Department may have overstated savings and underestimated costs by more than \$150 billion in its \$1.2 trillion budget for 1995 to 1999. That figure is much higher than the estimate by the Senate Armed Services Committee, which said in June that it was "seri-ously concerned" that the Pentagon would be unable to finance its strategy.

· Secondhand eigarette smoke will cause an estimated 47.000 deaths and about 150,000 nonfatal heart attacks in U.S. nonsmokers this year, according to a study to be published this week in a medical journal. • A new study suggests that semor citizens with larger

likely to develop Alrheimer's disease and other forms of age-related dementia than are persons with smaller heads. A seaplane attempting a landing on the Willamette River in Wheatland, Oregon, struck and killed a man and a

woman canoeing with their.

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A LITTLE REST FOR THE WEARY — A fire fighter catching a nap during a battle against blazes that have burned 91,000 acres of land in central Washington, one of 26 major fires in eight western states.

Whitewater Secrecy Plea Was Ignored

Compiled by Our Stiff From Disputches WASHINGTON - The The White. House was briefed about an investigation of a failed Arkansas savings and loan linked to the first family despite a plea that the information be, kept confidential, a senior regulator told Congress today.

The regulator, William Roelle, also revealed that in the middle of the 1992 presidential campaign, an aide to President George Bush asked the Resolution Trust Corp. for details about the investigation.
On the second day of its Whitewater hearings, the Senate Banking Committee focused on the trust, the watchdog agency

that initiated the investigation involving the failed Madison Guaranty Savings & Republicans have accused the Demo-

cratic administration of improper contacts between the White House and Treasury Department and said they suggested the possibility of a cover-up.

The Arkansas thrift was owned by

James B. McDougal, President Bill Clinton's, former business partner in the Whitewater land venture. The trust's inventurates and venture. The trust's investigation has suggested that Mr. Clinton and his wife. Hillary Rodham Clinton, may have benefited from improper financial dealings at the thrift.

Trust officials testified that no one in the

Clinton administration had tried to influcace their investigation. But John Ryan, the trust's acting chief executive officer, conceded that the case was treated differently from others.

Under questioning by Senator Pete V. Domenici, Republican of New Mexico. Mr. Ryan was asked if the trust handled the Madison case like others. "I would agree it was not in certain respects," Mr.

Ryan said.

Mr. Roelle, then a trust RTC vice president, acknowledged that when he first told Treasury Department officials on Sept. 27. 1993 about the Madison investigation, he implored them to keep it confidential. In-

stead, Treasury General Counsel Jean Hanson told the White House about criminal referrals -a recommendation for possible prosecution - involving Madison three days later.

"I believe it would have been better if no one had known about these criminal referrals," which listed the president and Mrs. Clinton as possible witnesses, Mr. Roelle

Under questioning from Democrats, Mr. Roelle said be first learned of the investigation in September 1992, and told Albert Casey, then the Bush-appointed head of the trust.

In the final weeks of the presidential campaign, Mr. Roelle testified, the Bush White House inquired about the inquiry.

"I was told by Mr. Casey that he had had a phone call from the White House asking about the criminal referral," Mr. Roelle said. "And I indicated to Mr. Casey that it would be inappropriate to discuss it with the White House." (AP, AFP)



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Out West, Anti-Clinton Forces Get Personal

By Helen Dewar ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico — "It's Bill Clinton, Stupid," reads the hauntingly familiar sign that hangs in the headquarters for who is trying ian, a Republican who is trying to unseat New Mexico's Demo-

cratic senator, Jeff Bingaman, in November. Two years after President Bill Clinton's campaign strategists used a similar mantra to keep their focus on the economy, Republicans have recycled it to exploit anger out West over higher fees and tighter rules for grazing and mining on public

They are trying almost sin-gle-mindedly to the Democrats like Mr. Bingaman to the president, who has lost support in New Mexico since he carried the state in 1992. Mr. Clinton's popularity in many Western states is lagging behind his none-too-glowing national rat-

ings.
"Jeff Bingaman is joined at the hip with Bill Clinton," Mr. McMillan, a multimillionaire tancher, businessman and assisant secretary of defense in the Bush administration, told erowds as he campaigned through rural New Mexico. He called Mr. Bingaman "a liberal at heart, even more liberal than

Bill Clinton. Like other Western Republicans, Mr. McMillan attempts to use the anti-Clinton sentiment to ignite the anti-Washington fire that always burns just beneath the surface along the slopes of the Rocky Mountains.

"Jeff Bingaman is part of the Washington scene." Mr. Mc-Millan says repeatedly. "He's forgotten where he came from." The anger that spills out of many mining, ranching and timbering areas was summed up on a license-plate holder at a "War on the West" forum spon-

sored by Mr. McMillan in Silver City, Mr. Bingaman's God, Guns, Guts Made America - Let's Keep All 3," it

Echoes of the "sagebrush re-bellion" that raged through the mountain and desert West in the late 1970s can also be heard in other states where close House and Senate contests could determine whether Republicans take control of the Senate and effective control of the House through coalition

In Wyoming, the prospects of the popular Democratic gover-nor, Mike Sullivan, are dimmed

by his association with Mr. Clinton, and Mr. Sullivan is putning some open space between himself and his old

But in the view of some Western Democrats, McMillan &

comfortably as Mr. McMillan's

to urban issues, including envi-ronmental protection. use technologies, vital to the state's Sandia and Los Alamos ronmental protection.

One in three New Mexico national laboratories, but rathvoters lives in Albuquerque, er wonky for most cowboys.

with conservative Democrats. Partly because of Mr. Clinton, Democratic-held Senate seats are in varying degrees of jeopardy in Arizona and Nevada as well as New Mexico. Two of the Democrats' three best chances to pick up GOP held seats — Wyoming and Montana — appear to hinge in large part on whether Republicans can exploit the president's

Co. may be overdoing it by addressing a vanishing West, a rapidly changing region where Mr. Bingaman's dark suits and high-tech talk fit at least as comfortably as Mr. McMillan's concedes he must carry the city to win. Mr. Bingaman, 50, speaks to this new West. Serious-minded,

blue jeans and twangy jabs at "Eastern environmentalists." reserved and low-key to a politi-Western states are increas- cal fault, he loves to talk about ingly urbanized and responsive defense conversion and dual-

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As Pressure Mounts, Haiti Junta Declares State of Siege

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
WASHINGTON — The United States kept up the pressure on Haiti's military rulers Monday, saving they must give up power soon or face soon.

But the Haitian military leaders remained de-fiant. Haiti's provisional president declared a state of siege on Monday, suspending some civil rights, and proclaimed that "the battle of Haiti is under way.

Washington maintained a tough stance a day after the UN Security Council essentially gave the United States a go-ahead to oust Haiti's junta and restore to power the exiled president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

The Security Council voted, 12 to 0, with China and Brazil abstaining, to anthorize the use of "all necessary means" by a U.S.-led multina-tional force to remove Haiti's military government if international sanctions fail.

The White House spokeswoman, Dee Dee Myers, said Haiti's rulers "need to decide what they re going to do soon."

Rwanda Provides

Paris, Too, May Begin to Shy

From Danger of Intervention

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune

officials say, are learning the lesson of Rwanda: Military

force is hard to use these days to

resolve local conflicts and im-pose sensible solutions in un-

France's intervention in the

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last stages of the genocidal

fighting there is now acclaimed. and even grudgingly admired as French aplomb in wielding power in Africa.

But the episode has exposed France to risks of the sort that

make other Western govern-

ments shy from military inter-

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She would not define "soon," but there was no indication that a U.S. invasion was imminent. "We have not set a deadline because we be-

lieve they are now going to have to get this message," she said. "We have not said what soon' is specifically because we want the pressure here to work." The U.S. position is that Haiti's military lead-

er, General Raoul Cedras, his deputy, General Philippe Biamby, and the police chief of Port-au-Prince, Colonel Michel François, who led the coup that overthrew Father Aristide in September 1991, must resign or leave the country.

Father Aristide, a Roman Catholie priest, is Haiti's first popularly elected president, but he was overthrown after only seven months in offace. He has since lived in exile.

announcing the state of emergency.

He gave no details of what the state of siege entailed but said Haiti was ready to light.

Radio stations said that, under the declara-

tion, all civil power is transferred to the military. Meetings can be dispersed, media outlets can be closed, searches can be carried out without warrants and a curfew can be imposed. The military government did not say which of the moves it

A presidential aide, Carl Denis, said Monday, To those who are preparing to invade, the Haitian people declare that they will fight them in the cities and in the countryside, they will fight them in the shacks and in the palaces, they will fight them day and night."

Madeleine K. Albright, the U.S. envoy to the United Nations, said Haiti's military rulers could leave "voluntarily and soon or involuntarily and soon."

Of the Haitian Supreme Court who was installed as president in May by a minority group of army-backed lawmakers, read a speech at 3 A.M. address the citizens of Haiti"—was by its very announcing the state of emergency.

(Reuers, AP)

Action Still Weeks Away

Despite the UN Security Council's authorization of an invasion to oust Haiti's military rulers, a decision on U.S. military action there is still weeks away, The New York Times reported from Washington, quoting administration officials on

The White House had hoped that UN endorsement of the use of force would give credibil-ity to American threats, which Haitian military leaders have appeared to belittle. Some U.S. officials say a combination of tighter economic sanctions and strong international resolve may still force the leaders to quit.

as overthrown after only seven months in ofthe has since lived in exile.

The State Department spokesman, Mike that the Haitian military will try to blinff the McCurry, said the siege declaration, made at 3 United States right to the end.

Paris Court Makes It Le Hot Summer' for The Language Police

PARIS - Billboards and radios across Paris seemed to burst into English following a court decision this weekend throwing out the heart of a law banning foreign phrases.

On Monday, kiosques in the capital's streets touted "the hottest guide to sum-mer Paris," while radio DJ's could be heard raving about "le progressive rock of Pink Floyd in concert in Chantil-

Parisians concluded, of-ten pungently, that the latest governmental bid to legis-late the way French people talk was a mess and proba-bly dead, a victim of the ridicule and common sense that have killed similar crusades.

Citing the Charter of the

Rights of Man in 1789, the judicial ruling by the Cour Constitutionnelle, France's equivalent of the Supreme Court, ruled that key pas-sages of the law violated the fundamental freedom of people to communicate in any way they wished.

. It also upheld the government's right to enforce French as the country's offi-cial language and oblige civil servants to use French in their official duties.

The effect, a newspaper said, is that, "French people will speak French, officials will speak official French." But most commentators concluded that the latest complication will make the law virtually unenforceable. Similar conclusions about

the chances of the anti-Eng-

lish crusade had already been reached by most French media. Those billboards, mocking-sounding Monday after the verdict, actually were nearly identical to dozens of others posted in Paris all summer.

The court ruling amounts to a knuckle-rap for Prime Minister Edouard Balladur's

Minister Edouard Balladur's center-right government, and particularly for Culture Minister Jacques Toubon, the hill's sponsor.

Mr. Toubon, dubbed "Mr. Allgood" by Paris media eager to tease him with the English translation of the programmation of his the pronunciation of his name, took the verdict with a stiff upper lip, saying he was gratified to see the court recognize his authority to punish at least some offend-ers for using the wrong lan-

guage. Generally viewed as a remarkably sober minister, Mr. Toubon has often seemed uncomfortable with the bill's primitive cultural protectionism and the international derision it engen-

In contrast, Jack Lang, his Socialist predecessor and now a potential presidential candidate for his dwindling party, attacked the court decision as a capitulation to free-market ideas.

It remained unclear what would become of stacks of government-compiled dictionaries offering French terms in international use in commerce, science and show

business.
— JOSEPH FITCHETT

A boy pushing a wheelbarrow past a destroyed building in central Kigali on Monday as Rwandans returned to the city.

Even if momentarily vindicated in Rwanda, France - Eu-Edouard Balladur. The trend could accelerate if no support to the Rwandan rope's most activist nation on

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intervention — is unlikely to change Western reluctance to

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vince France to start selectively

disengaging from Africa," a

tention of abandoning its tradi-

tional sphere of interest, but a

hint of change was the decision

by France in January to devalue

the CFA franc, a symbol of the postimperial contract with

French-speaking former colo-

That decision, disconcerting

economic viability.

U.S. policymaker said.

In Africa, too, French officials are increasingly frustrated

Mr. Balladur becomes presito many foreign-policy stal- dent next year. Genuflecting to warts, was imposed by economics-minded Prime Minister completed his first African trip, but it is no secret that he offered

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gamble taken by President François Mitterrand and For-eign Minister Alain Juppé. But the panache of interven-tion is quite a different thing

from the months of hard diplomatic slogging that France invested trying to promote power-sharing in Rwanda.

"Never again!" a French policymaker said.

Now that the French lead has been followed in Rwanda, officials in Paris savor the moment, taking straight-faced digs at Washington's "TV-driven for-eign policy," and launehing barbs at Britain's rush to send troops once there was a U.S. lead to follow.

But French leaders are un-likely to forget their chill isola-tion over Rwanda, which they saw as, in one official's words, if it had mounted an expedition, "the most clear-cut case of general ge sole-superpower age.

Convinced it could be an im- In Rwanda, France's leaders portant precedent, but reluc- hoped to make this point by

tant to venture alone into a intervening militarily before the country where France has a pocountry where France has a po-btically compromised past, Mr. Mitterrand appealed for help from the other leaders at the Group of Seven summit meeting in Italy last month.

The only response was a suggestion by the meeting's host, Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, of forming an international rescue brigade to rush to disaster-stricken areas, perhaps thereby dissipating suspicions that rich countries ignored poor countries without oil.

This paralysis is a measure of how far the European Union has slipped below even the modest goals set in the Maas-

fangled gunboat diplomacy diplomacy and crisis managethat was supposed to maintain ment, which imply forceful ininternational standards in a tervention early enough in a

conflict to make a difference.

tional community was waiting. Indeed, French troops got there before the butchery was fin-

But even in the aftermath, no Western nation seems to regret. the failure to intervene sooner. In fact, the idea of using force, however well-intended and carefully calibrated, seems to be falling into deepening distrust.

In practice, crisis management seems to mean humanitarian relief. The Clinton administration, with proper pride, stresses that only the United States has the capability to han-dle a task of such magnitude.

But this relief-centered ethos seems to have disrupted an understanding between France tered in Springfield, Missouri,

not afford to pay the price Tehran on July 24. Washington was asking

RAN: Persecution of Christians

tistics. The Baha'is have seen over 200 of their followers exe-cuted since the revolution, according to human rights groups.

Tens of thousands of Christians, as well as Jews and Baha'is, have fled frau in the last

Armenians, who have largely avoided contact with the evangelical groups and hold their church services in Armenian, have come under less pressure than the some dozen evangelical denominations that preach in Persian.

The Assemblies of God church, which has 8,000 members in Iran and is headquar-

ses in Africa.

Washington regularly used to provide the cargo planes that bittered by the ansterity and control imposed by the Islamic troops and supplies, but this time the French had to use flyutime the flyutime the flyutime that the flyutime that

officials forced them a few days ago to ask a delegation of Westem clergymen not to come to Iran to investigate the deaths of the Christian leaders. The dele-gation had been invited by the

One of those killed was Mehdi Dibaj, an Assemblies of God leader who was imprisoned for nine years and sentenced to death for apostasy. He was freed in January but disappeared in June. On July 3, the police delivered his mutilated body to his family.

Another was Bishop Haik Hovsepian Mehr, head of the Evangelical Council of Pastors in Iran, who had campaigned releatlessly for Mr. Dibaj's release from prison.

bullet-riddled corpse was Church leaders say Iranian turned over to his son on July 2.

RWANDA: Senior UN Official Calls for Caution on Return of Refugees CLUJ:

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refugee who volunteered to go back to Rwanda. But ber more cautious stand seemed to undercut somewhat the more aggressive statements of UN officials bere who say the refugees should be actively en-

couraged to go back. forcefully on the question of repatriating the refugees.

last month in the face of a rapid advance by the Tutsi-dominated Patriotie Front army, which seized most of the country, pushed the government into exile and set up its own provisional administration

The Patriotic Front has said Some officials here privately it wanted a broad-based govexpressed surprise that Mrs. erament — it named Hutu as Ogata did not come down more president and prime minister orcefully on the question of and has invited the Hutu to return. But inside the sprawling The refugees are predomi-refugee camps, word has spread

charge is committing atrocities against Hutn. The United Nations has said it has received no reports of ill treatment of any.

■ Perry Sees Signs of Hope fering, but more must be done

nantly Hutu who fled to Goma that the Tutsi army now in ciated Press reported from Standing Still Washington.

Mr. Perry, speaking after his return from Rwanda, said the situation was "much more hopeful."

In Geneva, meanwhile, Unicef said Monday that the num-The international effort to ber of deaths in the refuger aid Rwanda's refugees has camps in eastern Zaire had "turned the corner" on the suflast two weeks. The figure is to prevent the spread of disease, more than twice previous esti-Defense Secretary William J. mates. Most of the deaths were Perry said Monday, The Asso- caused by cholera,

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tion on the indecisive economic policies of Prime Minister Nicolac Vacaroni, whose minority government has shown little zest for pushing ahead with a free-market economic policy.

One cause of the discontent here was the final collapse in May of a pyramid scheme that had turned Cluj into a national hub of feverish wheeling and dealing last fall and helped finance the ultranationalist party led by Mayor Gheorghe Funar.

Now, Mr. Funar and his party have whipped up Romanian sentiment against the bronze, bigger-than-life equestrian stat-ue of King Matthias of Hungary in Cluj's central Unity Square. They want tu remove the stame so archaeologists can dig up Roman ruins they claim will prove that today's Romanians are the descendants of the ancient Romans and thus the rightful heirs to the city.

But three weeks ago, the Ministry of Culture ordered excavation equipment removed until scholars can assess whether the site has any importance.

CHINA: Domestic Stock Markets Halve Losses After Government Steps In

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cause it was worried about social stability and a loss of face." Beijing's bid to fight high inflation and

rein in a runaway economy have sent stock market speculators to the sidelines and prompted a rush of new stock issues by companies unable to find financing elsewhere as banks clamp down on credit. Waning demand and excess supply have

driven local markets down despite encouraging signs that China will be able to engineer a "soft landing" for its hard to control economy.

market," Liu Hongru, China's chief securi-shadowed last week, lingered.

ties regulator, told Agence France-Presse in Beijing on Monday, noting that a total of 271 companies had been listed since the markets in Shanghai and Shenzhen opened in 1990 and 1991.

The new measures have given a boost

to the market and should stabilize the market in the coming weeks," Mr. Lin said. But he acknowledged, "We still have to actually implement the measures." Uncertainty about the pace of expan-

sion in the B share market, which Mr. Liu predicted would soon triple in size, and the precise role foreign fund managers would "There are too many A shares on the play in the A share market, as was fore-

"I wish we could let foreigners trade A shares from tomorrow, but realistically these things take time," said Gao Xiquig. who heads the China Securities Regulatory Commission's new issue department

"We're not simply going to open the door and let everyone in at once," Mr. Gao told Bloomberg Business News in Beijing.

But with many of the A share companies refusing to comply with financial disclosure requirements, limited research available on them and a lack of convertibility of the yuan preventing an easy exit for potential foreign investors, there may not be much of a rush at first.

TRIADS: A One-Time Street Urchin Is Stirring Things Up in Hong Kong is little point in capitalising to

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wanted to sell my clothes myself." He picked the name Giordano's from an Italian restaurant in New York to his screen.
camouflage the Hong Kong There w said. "I real after 1986, when he hired probeen closed fessional managers, he said, and now has 300 stores throughout Asia and \$350 million in annual

"But f was bored by retail,"

etched it clearly on the local and protesting corruption. Mr. er moving from the images on Mr. Lai's reporters have do-

currented the way in which the "There was no way back," he said. "I realized those guys had Hong Kong gangs have insinu-ated themselves into the colobeen closed off from the world ny's life, controlling minibus for 40 years. They had no inforconcessions, extortion rackets, mation. And I realized informaand call-girl rings.

tion is the biggest business."
Since Next Magazine's incep-"They threw a Molotov in my house a couple of weeks ago," he said, laughing. "It exploded in the yard. They came in and tion three years ago, its circulation has soared to 180,000, the Then, nn June 4, 1989, Chinese troops and tanks roared while there are pages and pages destroyed my office, so now we through the streets of Beijing, of fashion, news of movie stars.

killing hundreds of people who and social notes, the magazine's destroyed my computers. They were demanding democracy ground-breaking exposes have attacked my stores."

government, reporting how shame there. There's no sense of about \$9 million collected in Hong Kong for poor children in China was misappropriated by local Chinese officials.

With China arheduled to take

With China scheduled to take after China takes over. Kong from Britain in 1997, suc very fast," he said. "They be more inclined to curry its favor. the future."

efforts at intimidation.

The next three years will be very exciting, exciting in a posi-"I think they're very powerful, no doubt," he said. "But if they threaten me, they won't kill me. If they want to kill me, they won't threaten me."

"I think they're very powerful, no doubt," he said. "But if frightening sense," he said. "Ight her is no trust left. That is the greatest disaster they won't threaten me." communism has left believed in Then he took on the Chinese Chinese culture. There's 20

cessful businessmen here are long to the past. I think we are



AIRING THEIR VIEWS — Taxi drivers in Bombay, in a protest Monday against other drivers using their scarce parking spots, deflating the tires of offending vehicles.

Scandal Ties Up Indian Parliament

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NEW DELHI — Indian opposition lawmak-ers paralyzed Parliament on Monday, demand-ing that the covernment with lawnak and check India's biggest financial scandal, which surfaced in 1992. ing that the government withdraw a report deny-ing partial responsibility for a major bank

Members of both houses dispersed in a noisy uproar for a fourth day without transacting any business as the government remained unmoved by the demands and insisted on a debate, prolonging a deadlock.

The legislative crisis was sparked by a report made public a week ago detailing the government's response to the findings of a bipartisan parliamentary committee that investigated the

As soon as Parliament sat Monday after a twoday weekend recess, angry opposition members

demanded that the document be withdrawn. Vice President K. R. Narayanan's insistence that a report presented in Parliament could not be withdrawn without a debate failed to restore order, and Mr. Narayanan, who is also speaker of the upper house, called off the day's

In the lower house, the parliamentary affairs minister, Vidya Charan Shukla, insisted that the \$1.3 billion bank swindle.

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In the report, Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha
Rao's government described as "unwarranted" ing, "Stop corruption" and "Punish the guilty."

Car Crash Jolts Mexico Vote Injured Chiapas Candidate Thrust Center-Stage

By Anthony DePalma

southern state of Chiapas Amado Avendano, has a good chance of making a complete recovery from the injuries he suffered in a highway crash last

But as he has been catapulted to the center of Mexico's turbulent political debate amid accusations that the crash was a nosult of an assassination attempt, it is a safe bet that the 55-yearold candidate'a life will never be

In Chiapas, where tensions are still simmering in an uneasy cease-fire between the Mexican Army and the Zapatista Na-tional Liberation Army, thousands of people have demonstrated in support of Mr. Avendano and to denounce what they describe as govern-

ment complicity in the crash.

The rebel command said it had put its troops on alert, and in a faxed statement, the rebel leader, known only as Subcommander Marcos, said: "The last hope for a just and rightful peace in Chiapas lies in the life

of this man. Save him." Mr. Avendano was injured on July 25 when a tractor-trailer without license plates smashed into a campaign vehicle carrying the candidate and five other people. Three people were killed instantly.

The driver of the truck at first disappeared, but he was arrested in Mexico City last Friday. He said he had fled because he was afraid, and he told the police that the candidate's vehicle had swerved into his lane.

Although government investigators have concluded the crash was an accident, Mr. Avendano's wife and daughter still believe that it was an attempt on his life by old-line political forces upset with his candidacy and his closeness to the rebel army, which shocked the country when it opened an offensive in January.

The two main opposition candidates for president in the Aug. 21 national election have referred to the collision as another challenge to the faltering credibility Mexicans have in their own political system. The governing party candidate, Er-

Nairobi's Mayor Resigns

Agence France-Presse NAIROBI - Steve Mwangi, the mayor of Nairobi and a member of the political opposition, has resigned, saying the government of President Daniel arap Moi has refused to give him the support he needed to run the city effectively, local newspapers said Monday.

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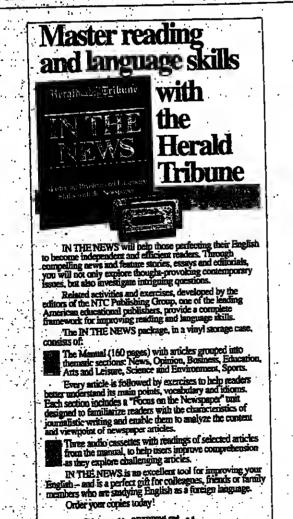
Many Mexicans outside Chiapas are bothered by what happened to Mr. Avendano be-

Colosio, in March, and the killing of Cardinal Juan Jesus Po-

MEXICO CITY — Doctors ary Party, or PRD, of trying to take political advantage of the candidate for governor of the missortime.

Before the crash, Mr. Avendanc's candidacy was considered a long shot. Despite the long story of the missortime. Mr. Avendano is considered long standing problems at the the most important PRD candi-date behind its presidential governing party candidate, standard bearer, Cuauhiemoc Eduardo Robledo, was given a good chance of winning.

Now, while the governing Institutional Revolutionary Party pened to Mr. Avendano because they feet that, like the
assassination of the governing
party candidate, Luis Donaldo
Colosio in March, and the killfrom sympathy votes.



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Muslim Revival Blossoms in Shaky Iraq

By Caryle Murphy

Washington Prat Service

BAGHDAD — Deteriorating economic conditions and anxiety about the future are leading increasing numbers of Iraqis back to their Muslim faith. Mosque attendance has risen, more women are covering their hair in public, and Islamic rituals are being more strictly observed, many Iraqis said.

This revival comes in a nation where, unlike its Gulf neighbors, the ruling party embraces a secular philosophy and the government has long held liberal views on alcohol, music and the dress and societal role of

"This past Ramadan everyone in Iraq was fasting," said a middle-class Baghdad woman, referring to the Muslim holy month. "We even did it here in this family, and we hadn't done that before."

Asked why, she replied: "To feel good about our-

"We must return to God," said an elderly man who agreed that attendance at Friday prayers has climbed. "We kill people. We starve people. This is against Islam. All the people think, "O.K., we are sorry. We must return to God. We must not steal, not drink

helped generate Islamic political opposition move-ments in such countries as Egypt and Algeria.

In an indication Iraq is not immune to such movements, the Babil newspaper recently ran a letter complaining about the appearance in Iraq of a "Wahhabist movement" backed by Saudi Arabia. The ultraconservative Wahhabi sect of Sunni Islam is predominant in Saudi Arabia.

The letter accused the group of "trying to instigate seditions, confusion and disturbances in mosques" and oromoting "their heresies" in theological colleges. It also complained that "the party and security organs do not seem to be aware of" the group's activities.

Two specialists on Islamic groups, a Jordanian and an Iraqi, said Wahhabi groups had been active in Iraq's predominantly Sunni Muslim cities of Mosul

and Ramadi. Although these groups do not have a wide following. "the government is worried about" them.

The revival also has the potential to enfecble the appeal of the secular, Arab nationalist philosophy of the governing Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party.

Indeed, the increasing attraction of Islam as a medi-

um for politics has been noticed by the party's leader, President Saddam Hussein. For some years, Mr. Saddam has employed Islamic

symbols to legitimize his rule even as be persecuted lrag's large Shiite Muslim population. During the Most Iraqis say this resurgence of personal piety is a response to psychological and economic pressures and has no political significance. Still, such revivals have

symbols to legitimize his rule even as be persecuted be prescribed by the proposition of the p

wage a "holy war" against the "infidel" troops who arrived in Saudi Arabia to free occupied Kuwait. His government also sponsored numerous "Islamic con-

ferences" criticizing Western policies. Frequently shown praying on television. Mr. Saddam also had an official version of his family tree drawn showing his purported descent from the Prophet Mohammed, and during his birthday celebrations last year, troops marched in a parade formation that

spelled out the words "God Is Great!" In recent weeks, the government appears to have stepped up attempts to respond to religious sentiments. It decreed an Islamic punishment, amputation of a hand or foot, for repeat car thieves and currency violators; banned public consumption of alcohol, and closed discos and bars.

An Iraqi newspaper reported that "religious aware-ness committees" in three provinces had cabled their thanks to Mr. Saddam for deciding to "cancel borse racing and gambling and to build the Grand State Mosque instead."

Some analysts believe that if Mr. Saddam were replaced by a government that permitted a measure of normal political activity, Islamic parties would play a significant, though not dominant, role in Iraqi politics. as they now do in some other Arab states.

Under such circumstances, the Muslim Brotherhood would likely find a following among Iraq's Sun-

Japan Sought Ability to Build Bombs, Daily Says

mpiled by Our Staff From Dispatches strong diplomatic card, secretly sures were applied. decided in 1969 to ensure it had the financial and technical potential to make nuclear arms without actually producing them, a Japanese daily reported

The Mainichi Shimbun said the top-secret, 100-page For-eign Ministry report titled "Prerequisites of Japan's Foreign Policy" atated that Tokyo should make sure it could pro-

TOKYO - Japan, seeking a no matter what foreign pres-

"For the time being, we will adopt a policy of not possessing nuclear arms," Mainichi quoted the report as saying. "But we will maintain the economic and technical potential of producing nuclear weapons."

"At the same time, we must protect this from foreign intervention," the report is quoted as saying about that potential. It also advocated education

based on international politics and economics.

The report was drafted in 1969 by top ministry bureaucrats for internal use as a policy guideline, Mainichi said.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman acknowledged that the document in question existed but refused to comment on the

The 1969 report followed atomic bomb victims, it is unbe-adoption the previous year of lievable," Yoshio Saito, 66.

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sion, production or introduc- ers Organization, said. tion of such weapons.

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The report comes shortly af-Every time the Japanese gov- ter statements on Japan's nucle-

Kakizawa, made to Parliament Anti-nuclear activists were two months ago. He said that the use of nuclear weapons can-"From our viewpoint as not be considered a clear viola-



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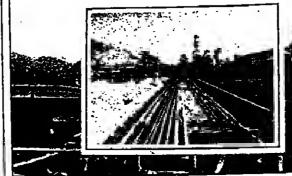
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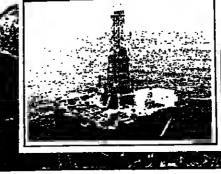
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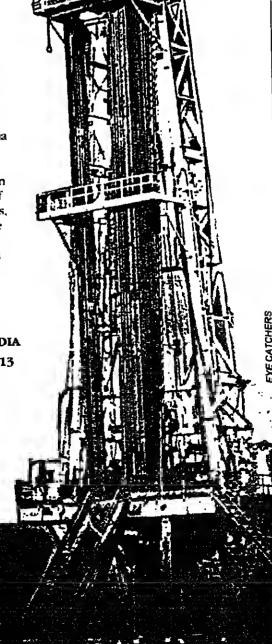
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China, Taiwan and Trade

Iraq Sanctions Forever?

Oddly, the international organization The United States replies that developing that governs the rules of trade does not country status, with its provisions to asinclude two of the world's biggest trading countries - China and Taiwan. It is a serious weakness in the trading system. Both countries want to join this organization, known as the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, but negotiations have been dragging on for years. The precise terms of their admission will, as a practical matter, be set hy the United States.

It is not only that China has become a trader on a very big scale, but its trade continues to grow extremely fast - and it is the only country among the big traders with that kind of growth. It is having an impact on other countries, particularly the United States. There are important advantages, not to China alone, in bringing it into the trading code.

America wants assurances that a country under a government still at least nominally Communist will not manipulate prices. It wants enforcement of the rules against China's notorious piracy of patents and copyrights. It wants guarantees of market access in a country that is currently selling almost four times as much in America as American exporters sell there. But China is always a special case.

It argues, for example, that it is a developing country, which is certainly true if you measure it by average income.

Every two months, sanctions against Iraq are reviewed by the Security Coun-

cil. Baghdad has begun scrupulously liv-ing up to its UN arms control ohliga-

tions. That, according to the terms laid down by the United Nations, should enri-

tle it to relief from the international em-

bargo on its oil sales some time next

spring. But the United States and Britain

are refusing to acknowledge Saddam Hussein's compliance with the United Nations stated terms for lifting sanc-

tions. They insist that other infractions,

such as persecution of the Kurds, de-

mand that Saddam continue to be pun-

ished. In effect, Britain and the United

States are changing the rules, Iraq paid a heavy price for defying Se-curity Council resolutions after it invaded

Kuwait four years ago. An American-led

coalition forcibly evicted its troops after

pummeling its infrastructure. The United

Nations imposed devastating economic sanctions, which remain in effect.

Last November, after years of obstruc-

tion. Baghdad nhruptly began cooperating

with UN arms inspectors. It is now close to

meeting the Security Council's require-

ment that it destroy its stocks of hiological.

chemical and nuclear weapons and accept

tion commission, recently reported that the destruction of prohibited weapons

will be complete in a few more weeks and

an effective monitoring system will be

functioning by fall. Six months later, if all

goes smoothly, the commission could de-clare that Iraq bas met all its arms control

obligations under the UN cease-fire resolution. According to the terms of that resolution, the Security Council would then be expected to lift the oil embargo.

France, Russia and China, all perma-

nent members of the Security Council.

are eager to resume trading with Iraq. In

the last review sessions, they wanted to

acknowledge Iraq's constructive behav-

ior, while rightly demanding that it for-

mally acknowledge Kuwait's sovereignty

A Global Policy on Genocide

By upsetting the international equilib-

rium, the collapse of the Soviet bloc liber-

ated hatreds that had long been con-

Rolf Ekeus, who heads the UN inspec-

long-term international monitoring.

sist exports and to shelter infant industries, was not intended for a country whose exports have doubled in the past five years and are now worth more than \$90 billion a year. In this respect, as in most others. China does not fit comfortably into the accustomed categories.

As for Taiwan, the complexities are largely political, rooted in its endlessly tangled relationship with the bigger China. The Chinese of Beijing have said that they do not object to Taiwan's membership in GATT as long as Beijing gets there first. Taiwan seems to be stuck at the door until China's admission is worked out.

As in all major trade issues, a lot more is at stake than trade. Wars have been started over the resistance of an inflexible trading system to the intrusion of rising economic powers; that was surely one of the causes of World War I. The phenomenal growth of the Chinese economy is not merely an interesting economic case. It is lurning into a test of the statesmanship of the rich countries, and particularly the United States. The American negotiating aims are decent and justified, but they need to be resolved promptly. Both Chinas need to be brought under the rules by which the rest of the world trades.

and borders before they vote to lift oil sanctions. The United States, along with

Britain, opposed any acknowledgment of

progress. The Clinton administration,

which insists on retaining sanctions as

long as Saddam remains in power, has

been reduced to strained reinterpreta-

tions of the cease-fire resolution's clear

language that Washington helped draft.

The administration's position is misguid-ed, putting domestic political posturing

ahead of the problem of containing Iraq's

The resolution's direct linkage between

arms control and oil sanctions is not

simply a technicality. The main UN goal

after the war with Iraq was to ensure

dismantling of its weapons of mass de-

struction. That required giving Iraq an incentive to cooperate. Sanctions require

time to work, but also require clearly

defined and limited goals. When de-

sanctions -- punishing a regime simply

for being loathsome - tend to lose their

can permanently deny lraq mass-destruc-

tion weapons. The cash it earns from

resumed oil sales would have to be used

for other purposes, including reparations,

UN administrative costs, humanitarian

needs in Iraq and economic development.

troublesome neighbor as long as he re-mains in power. But Washington has no

serious plans to oust him, nor is there any

obvious alternative. A military coup would

not end repression. Civilian dissidents are

divided. Fragmentation into Kurdish.

Sunni and Shiite regions would invite Iranian, Turkish and Syrian meddling.

these circumstances is containment. The

best instrument for that is UN arms mon-

itoring, not endlessly prolonging sanc-tions that bave nearly done their work and will soon lose their meaning.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Washington's most realistic policy in

Saddam will be a bloody dictator and

meaning and effectiveness over time.

military power most effectively.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

A Second American Chance to Do It Right in Africa

WASHINGTON — Four months af-ter leaving Somalia in disenchantment, American troops are back in Africa belping care for Rwanda's refugees. President Bill Clinton can make this second chance in Africa a small but significant policy success by staying focused on the humanitarian needs of the victims and keeping America's intervention apolitical.

"Apolitical" in this sense means more than not getting entangled on one side or the other in Rwanda's tribal war. It also means the president's aides remembering at all times that the problems they must address involve Rwanda's immediate needs, not those of improving the image of American foreign policy or of n president embattled at home.

A successful humanitarian mission in Rwanda can belp with both, of course, but only as a hy-product of an operation firmly rooted in helping the victims.

The president's emergency request to Congress on Friday for a total of \$500 million in disaster relief for Rwanda represented a sound investment in a new American role abroad beyond the Cold War. It is underwritten by the skillful use thus far of the Pentagon's resources and management capabilities to help Rwan-da's stricken population. **By Jim Hoagland**

A well-managed relief campaign in Rwanda would give a second wind to the concept of international humanitarian intervention, which was badly damaged by the bitter Somalia experience. For that to happen, no hidden agendas should distort the relief effort's purpose.

Rwanda offers Mr. Clinton an opportunity to show that Somalia was not the defining event it seemed last October when the president, concerned by the loss of 18 U.S. soldiers in one day's fighting against the forces of General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, announced that he

would pull U.S. troops out in March.
The Somalia tragedy is only part of the story of U.S. humanitarian intervention in recent years. America bas shown in helping the victims of typhoons in Bangladesh and of other calamities elsewhere that the Pentagon is an effective force in battling buman disasters when it is given a strictly humanitarian mission.

At the other end of the spectrum lies Operation Provide Comfort in northern Iraq. There an American-led Western coalition has protected the Kurds from Saddam Hussein for three years, showing that

bumanitarian and political goals can be mixed, and advanced by military force when the political goals are clearly identified and the military resources needed to accomplish those goals are provided.

Somalia went wrong when the Clinton administration imposed much larger political goals on the original humanitarian deployment of U.S. marines. The military resources that Mr. Clinton was willing to commit fell far short of those needed to accomplish the ambitious goal of establishing Somalia as a democratic model for the continent.

Even the most ardent enlargers of democracy in the Clinton administration harbor no such illusions about tiny Rwanda. One of the appealing things about humanitarian intervention there is that no one is likely to suspect that America has a vital interest or history to pro-

tect by stationing troops there.

When President George Bush ordered
the marines into Somalia at the end of 1992, European policymakers asked in private what his hidden agenda was. America must be making a play for hidden oil reserves, or for strategic position to dominate the Middle East, the European left reflexively charged.

That distortion of Mr. Bush's intentions grew out of the Cold War stereotype of America using its power abroad only for exploitation or self-interest. But Somalia showed the falsity of that stereotype. The United States did not in fact have a coherent strategy, or interest, to justify staying on in Somalia in the face of local opposition. The United States

had gone to Somalia to help. The Clinton administration was slow in responding to the developing tragedy in Rwanda. Still chastened by the Somalia debacle, it dragged its feet on moves at the United Nations to get peacekeepers in before the massacres started. A postmortem on U.S. policy before disaster enguled Rwanda will eventually be useful.

But much more urgent is helping the

victims by offering large-scale bumani-tarian aid, as Mr. Clinton has suggested. The refugees in Zaire must be helped to return home safely and rapidly.

Rwanda, in all its horror, is a fresh chance for bumanitarian intervention and the Chaton administration's role in Africa. In international politics there is rarely a second act, to paraphrase F. Scott Fitz-gerald on American lives. Mr. Clinton is right to plunge into a second act in Africa. but with his eyes wide open this time. The Washington Post.

The Claims About 'Asian' Values Don't Usually Bear Scrutiny

as the Western norm although in

fact it represents the best and

Crime rates and safety in cities

worst of the West.

HONG KONG — Singapore (population 2.8 million) has some of the world's harshest laws against smoking and other "anti-social" activities such as chewing

force any anti-smoking measures. Muhammad Bndyatna of the University of Indonesia said the local culture expected people to be accommodative and indirect, "to display empathy, to under-stand what others want or do not

qua non. The desire to be top of the class has been a powerful

argument too hard to say that belief in educational excellence is so much stronger even in Taiwan than in Germany, or that its role in social mobility is so much greater in Japan than in the United States. Among the best of East and West, monvation and expec-

Thailand is a byword for often violent lawlessness. China becomes more so by the day.
In impoverished Indian cities

the problem is disorganization and mayhem, not violent crime. Despite the diversity and lack of discipline, social cohesion exists most of the time. What then of the theory that

Europe. Dynamic, homogeneous

Asia is group- rather than indi-vidual-oriented, and thus more inclined to put group interests before selfish ones? It is easy to make a case for this

in Japan and South Korea, where loyalties tend to transcend family as well as individual. Postwar, Americanized Japan has known frequent changes of leader within a stable system. In Indonesia (two presidents in 45 years), the leader is on a pedestal, but, as in Japan, the notion of consensus runs deep. Even the late, megalomanic President Sukarno had to admit: "I have made myself the meeting place of all trends and ideologies."

In the Chinese case, history almost seems to consist of a battle between the corporatist needs of the state and the interests of the families who operate it. Dynastic politics is evident in "Communist" China already, as in Singapore, despite official commitments to bureaucratic meritocracy. Similarly with the Kuomintang inheritance in Taiwan, which won out until 1987, when lack of candidates and the pressure of opinion ended the Sun Yat-sen and Chiang

Kai-shek era. Rulers who come to power in this manner can be effective in the same way as genuine monarchs, placing the common interests of state and society above sectional ones. But in much of dynamic Asia, claims to ethical

superiority over the tawdry vote-huying implicit in democratic politics — claims that leaders put group interests before personal ones, or national ones over individuals' rights - are questionable.

In China, Indonesia and Malaysia, just as previously in the Philippines, grant of monopolies to family and friends and "legal" purloining by well-placed indi-viduals of assets owned by the government or in trust for certain groups have become so commonplace as to be scarcely worthy of attention, even when the losers are listed companies.

This wealth distribution may have all kinds of useful functions in creating capitalist classes (al-beit rentier ones) where none existed before. It may be a sign of a dynamic and mobile economy, just as England was probably never more corrupt than during the 18th-century flowering of commerce, empire and intellect, But it is not the sort of behavior

that warrants a claim to "values." East Asia has both some of the. best (in Japan and South Korea) and some of the most venal bureaucracies. There are lessons for other countries in the constructive but wary relationship between bureaucracy and business. On the other hand, the relative decline of the quality and influ-ence of the That bureaucracy shows how money can overwhelm. institutions. Is that dynamism or

social decay? It is one of the paradoxes of the "Asian values" falk that the economic achievements of the region have in fact been accompanied by — or even caused by — break-down of old social strictures and value systems under the impact of foreign influence, be it overseas Chinese entrepreneurship, mass media or McDonalds.

Those who see straitlaced Singapore as the epitome of "Asian values" may not have stayed in anything less than a five star hotel in Japan; in most other hotels, porno movies are on tap. Or may not have wondered why the most dynamic areas of Asia, which at present include the cities of Guangdong, to give just one of many examples, exhibit levels of prostitution far ahead of anything in Europe, and drug problems that are serious even in countries with draconian penalties for possession.

In many countries, explicit sex may be kept off movie screens, but. mainstream print media in coun-tries like Malaysia are more direct about sex than their U.S. counterparts were until very recently.

The family has so far survived as the linchpin of society throughout the continent. It is a reasonable generalization that family solidarity Asia is much stronger than the average for the West.

The relatively low incidence of divorce and single-parent fam-ilies may not reflect superior sexual morality, but it does have important consequences for social stability and for limiting welfare demands on the state. Indeed, the strength of the family is some-times at the expense of the interests of the state, which is often viewed -- especially in China -with suspicion, to be avoided if it cannot be exploited. The emphasis on family or

group ohligations over individ-ual rights is real enough in Singapore or South Korea, but it is a hollow claim in places where money-making is praised above all thought of the social or environmental impact on the nation or the family needs of workers. The welfarism of Scandinavia, so derided in much of Asia, might be a better exemplar of the primacy of the perceived needs of society over the rights of the individual than much of Asia can offer.

With industrialization relatively new to most of Asia, the longer range social consequences have yet to show themselves. These countries have yet to confront the problems of an aging population. which will hit more suddenly than they did in Europe.

pable trend to unitary families wherever there is enough money

East Asia has the opportunity to learn from the mistakes of old-

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economics. Those in power naturally believe that the system which keeps them there is the best.

In many countries in Asia there has been and remains great pressure to enlarge the system of representation, although the means may vary and common denominators may be few. That explains perhaps why within Asia, even among those regarded in the West as most bberal and democratic. there is resentment at Western criticisms of their neighbors. Hence Thailand's attitude toward Western human rights pressure

country would resent baving its

It may be possible to identify a

By Philip Bowring

um. In Indonesia (population 180 million), it was recently claimed that cultural factors would make it very hard to enstimulus to excellence at home and competitiveness abroad. Yet it would be pushing the

give very erratic readings east and west, Japan's order and self-disci-pline grow out of the social fabric rather than being imposed from above. But disciplined and dynamic South Korea has as much crime as an average big city in tations may not be the same, hut

It is absurd to say that modern concepts of electoral

democracy are un-Asian. Those in power naturally believe that the system which keeps them there is best.

want," Most Eastern cultures were the same, be said, and offered a contrast to Western norms.

Over in Singapore, barely a day asses without a minister prosigned to force specific actions, they can claiming the superiority of "Asian values" over those of the be quite effective. Indefinite, symbolic decadent West. Reference is often made to discipline and the commitment to group social values, the rights of the community over Experts believe that UN monitoring those of the individual.

These plus a commitment to family cobesion, education and saving are said to explain the social and economic progress made by Asia in the last 30 years. The lack or decay of such attributes in the West is seen as the cause of drug taking, pornography, divorce and violent crime, these ills in turn being exacerbated by a permissive attitude to law enforcement

But while some ills in the West are plain enough, are they Western? Do the "Asian values" exist, and are they reflected better by the Singaporean or the Indone-

sian smoking anecdotes?
It is certainly hard to quarrel with the role that education has played in Asian development. Particularly in East Asia and among those people who have combined a Confucian heritage of belief in the dignity of learning with a non-Confucian belief in social mobility, learning directed to practical ends -- in particular, engineering — has been the sine

the value put on education may not be so different

As for motivation seen in the likes of South Korea and Hong Kong, it may have as much to do with threat in one case and migrant mentality in the other.

In other parts of Asia the picture is very mixed. The Philippines may have little in the way of excellence, but it does have a worthy achievement in basic literacy. Likewise Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand. In fact, they have much better records than China, despite its aeons of Confucian civilization. Once ideology took precedence over learning. Now it is money grabbing.

As for India or Pakistan, they make Africa look like a center of literacy achievement. Pakistan is neck and neck with Mozambique (65 percent illiterate) at the bottom of the scale; India vies with Rwanda (50 percent), and China with Zambia and Kenya (27 percent). China and India, of course, both have islands of excellence. But commitment to education other than of a few?

What then of social cohesion and group rather than individual values? Can one find Asian com-

mon denominators and compare them with the West? The social strengths and weaknesses of Norway are a world apart from Spain or the United States, which is regarded in Asia

Fudging the Whitewater Investigation

WASHINGTON — "Shut up!" hollered Representative Maxine Waters, Democrat of California, at a Republican who dared ask embarrassing questions about White House intrusion into a criminal investigation. For her "demeanor" in thus obstructing congressional oversight, her speaking rights were suspended for all of 30

seconds hy the speaker. The dismaying spectacle of House Democrats trying to protect Clinton administration wrongdoers from public exposure was further heightened hy "The Chorus Line": 10 White House aides, all in a row, piously chorusing "no" to a Democrat asking if they were all villains.

Democrats last week demonstrated that they cannot investigate Democrats. If voters needed a reason to unseat the coverup Congress, the performance of Henry Gonzalez's trained seals provided that reason.

Before our eyes is a pattern of 20 improper contacts between supposed law enforcement officials at Treasury and presidential advisers eager to avoid a serious investigation of their boss; if that is not an egregious breach of ethics, then nothing is unethical. If the Clinton crony Roger Altman, who is deputy secretary

of the Treasury, did not deceive Congress with his original untruthful testimony about only one contact, then nothing is misleading. Consider one tiny facet of the Whitewater cover-up found in the damning diary of Joshua

Steiner, Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen's chief of staff,

forced into the public record him," coming from the man

By William Safire

despite the Democrats' annoversight deal with nonindependent counsel. Mr. Altman was supervising

the agency asking a reluctant Clinton-appointed prosecutor to look into the sleazy savings and loan deal benefiting the Clin-tons. After a New York Times editorialist telephoned, Mr. Altman - who had been surreptitiously helping Mr. Clinton's public and personal lawyers anticipate moves of the regulators - decided to recuse himself because his conflict of interest was becoming all too obvious.

As Mr. Altman, fearing exposure of his back channel, bailed out of the hot seat, George Stephanopoulos demanded to know why an anti-Clinton prosecutor had been chosen to investigate.

At the time, I saw nothing wrong in George "blowing off steam," as he put it, about the independent agency's appointment of a partisan prosecutor. Perfectly natural," in counsel Lloyd Cutler's words. Besides, I like and respect the young man, and have nothing but scorn for Popinjay Jny Stephens, who, as U.S. attorney, stooped to using a demeaning sex lure to entrap the mayor of Washington.

But now I read the text of the

Steiner diary: "George then suggested to me that we needed to find a way to get rid of him. Persuaded George that firing [Mr. Stephens] would be incredibly stupid and improper." That has the ring of truth to it. "Find a way to get rid of

as the laughable ethicist of the Clinton administration cuphemized it on Sunday -- merely "expressing concern."
If a Republican White House aide said that about an unfriendly prosecutor, the remark

whose West Wing office ad-joins the president's, is not ---

would have been interpreted by many as an attempt to impede an investigation and might have triggered an editorial fire storm, congressional outrage, indict-ment, conviction and a jail term (followed hy a lucrative CD-ROM memoir, talk show and senatorial nomination).
Perhaps Mr. Steiner went be-

fore a grand jury to disavow what he wrote. He would not confirm or disavow it to me; over to you, Republican senators. George, forthright as always,

said, "I do not remember saying that," and he will take that position before the Senate. Evidently Robert Fiske, the Clinton-appointed investigator, chose to disbelieve or ignore the

Steiner diary entry, or was inclined to impute an innocent intent to the improper imperative. He cheerfully sees no evil. In the Vincent Foster case, no bullet or skull fragments were found, but Mr. Fiske is certain that death took place at that spot; the eyewitness who discovered the body saw two hands paims-up with no gun, and now insists that he was badgered into allowing the possibility that he

may have been mistaken. What's with this nonindependent counsel who helps Democrats avoid oversight? Find a way to get rid of him.

The New York Times.

Meanwhile, there is an unstop-

for each generation to be housed separately. Will family commitment in, say, Taiwan, prove much more effective than in Italy in protecting the old?

er industrialized societies, but how much is yet to be seen. As for politics, it is as absurd to say that modern concepts of elec-

There is no single model in politics, any more than there is in

on Burma, and South Korea's toward that on China.

system, however inadequate, criticized by American congressmen or commentators. The words 'Asian values" become simply a mantra to be chanted in the face of Western assumptions that CNN standards of television news are the global standard, or that the U.S. judicial process, as illustrated by the O. J. Simpson case among others, is the norm for open societies governed hy the rule of law.

It is not hard to see why any

few values more prevalent in parts of Asia than in the West. And vice versa. The same applies to vices. But the simplistic labels "Western" and "Asian" usually obscure the specifics of each country and situation, enabling all sides to substitute moralizing for morality and propaganda for principles.

International Herald Tribune.

IN OUR PACES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1894: Japan at War 1944: Nazi Manhunt

LONDON - Japan has informed the Powers that a state of war

exists between that country and China. This notification, on being received by Lord Kimberley, was at once telegraphed to every British Government agent abroad, so that captains of mercantile vessels taking cargo may know that they do so at their own risk.

1919: Irish Farm Strikes

LONDON - A despatch from Dublin states that the Irish farm laborers strike is having widespread and unexpected consequences. The approaches to the Dublin metropolitan cattle market, one of the largest of its kind in the United Kingdom, were held by strike pickets. The pickets stopped sale in the market and caused the cattle to be driv-

LONDON — [From our New York edition:] German radios broadcast tonight [Aug. 1] an offer of 1,000,000 mark reward (\$400,000) for information leading to the arrest of Dr. Karl Friedrich Goerdeler, former Nazi price dictator and Leipzig Mayor wanted for complicity in the plot to kill Adolf Hitler. The revelation that Goerdeler had escaped emphasized the possibility that many civilians as well as military men might have gone underground after the plot failed. A report emanating from the French underground in Algiers said that General Otto von Stucionagei, commanding the German occupation troops in France, had com-mitted suicide on being recalled as a suspect in the anti-Hitler plot. (A German broadcast July 25 reported that Stuelpnagel had been seri-ously injured by "terrorists")

tained. Examples of "ethnic cleansing" and genocide are multiplying around the world. All the money and admirable bumanitarian dedication in the world will not stop this harbarity if the hig powers cast an entire continent adrift. It is up to the French people to demand that France bring its African policy out of the shadows, and that a means of preventing genocide be established, under supranational authority. A global threat requires a global policy. The rescue of Africa

demands this historic change. - Jean-Marie Domenach in La Manche Libre (Saint-Lo, France)

What Threat Was Bernstein? The release of n 666-page Federal Bureau of investigation file on Leonard Bernstein is instructive far more for what it tells Americans about the FBI than for what it reveals about the famed composer-conductor's political activities. As with previous FBI dossiers on well-

known figures that have been pried loose

Other Comment trom the hureau's archives under the Freedom of Information Act, the Bernstein file bulges with an indiscriminate and unevaluated accumulation of gossip, trivia and irrelevancies, piled up in stupefying detail. It boggles the mind to consider how many taxpayer dollars and how many bours of work by skilled professionals, spread over three decades, went

into compiling this tedious record.

Was the Republic made a whit safer hy
such obsessive compilation of hearsay
and tale-carrying? Can it be shown that Communist subversion was in a single instance thwarted by all the snooping done on so many of America's most prominent literary, artistic and entertainment figures? Yes, there were Communist spies and subversives in the United States. But what threat exactly was it feared that Leonard Bernstein posed? Or John Cheever, Robert Frost, F. Scott Fitzgerald, William Faulkner. James Thurber, Gore Vidal or any of the countless others on whom the interested gaze of J. Edgar Hoover and his colleagues fell? It would be nice to think that the FBI's delay in giving up [the Bernstein file] was due to embarrassment over its ridiculous inanity.

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WASHINGTON — When television pictures have cried out for determined, proactive foreign policy responses to end a conflict, sources have described a process by which ministers usually ensured that there was an appearance of tactical response, when in reality there was no strategic change

to overall policy. In 1991, after the Gulf War, television images from the mountain quagante of southern Turkey forced allied governments to mount Operation Provide Comfort to save the Kurds and lure them home to northern Iraq. Now the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General John Shahkashvih, plans to repeat his Kurdish success in Operation Support Hope for Rwanda by establishing feeding stations. But, as with the Kurds, such actions forced by television mask either a failure of policy, a lack of political will to do more or panic by policymakers who realize they can no longer keep to their preferred line of lowrisk, low-cost minimalism

When there is a problem, and the policy has not been thought through, there is a knee-jerk reaction," said Kofi Aman, undersecretary-general for UN peacekeeping, after his experiences marshaling UN peacekeeping efforts in the former Yngoslavia. They have to do something or face a public relations disaster.'

There are also sudden moments when policymakers and officials who have taken a resolute policy stand to resist action become as shocked, humbled and emotionally troubled as the average viewer. "There is a fair determination to resist and limitthe power of television," said Sir Robin Renwick, Britain's ambassador to the United States. "But." he added, recalling pressure from his teenage daughter on Bosnia, "we are susceptible, and we hate horrors too."

Most policymakers openly curse television coverage. Ministers and officials do not trust TV, which they say is overemo-. tional. It also forces their agenda. in directions they cannot control, and skews crisis management in ways hard to predict.

"Television is often wrong," said one senior U.S. official, "We have to make sure we are right." A senior Downing Street. insider added: "Something must be done, but TV means we can

do the wrong thing."
Many diplomats believe that last year's brinkmanship in Sarajevo in late July and early August was exaggerated because of overzealous reporting by a swol-

len press corps.

The pressure led to NATO's preparations for air strikes. But in retrospect, diplomats say the TV coverage of the siege omitted crucial facts. "Air strikes have been wound up by television." said one "Saraievo was not strangled; that's an emotive phase," complained another.

What is commonly called the CNN factor is therefore unpredictable. "It is like waking up with a big bruise, and you don't know where it came from," says Rick Inderfurth, alternate U.S. representative at the UN.

Yet this fickle relationship still goes to the heart of gover-

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ists struggling to produce works of art amid the fires and bombs

of the London Blitz, which the

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pointed. But anyone interested

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three essays presented here fas-

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activities of five of Britain's cul-

tural giants during the war

chronicles both the efforts of a

farsighted few in the govern-

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Lynn H. Nicholas

By Nik Gowing This is the second of two articles.

expected occasions when TV coverage breaks the governmental will to resist.

For example, the plight of Bosnian Muslims in Srebrenica in April 1993 failed to move the UN Security Council's five permament members to take action to save them. But TV images of the squalor and near starvation undermined their resistance.

Now, in retrospect, those involved are not convinced they acted so wisely. "I did not know that what we were creating was a trap," said Diego Arria, the Venczucian ambassador.

A prime example of intense and effective pressure was the thousands of phone calls made to U.S. congressmen after the transmission of TV images of the bodies of U.S. soldiers killed in Mogadishu last October. Normally, however, the citing

of public opinion at critical mo-ments in foreign policymaking has tended to be a political convenience. On complex issues such as mounting air strikes in Bosma, the public is seen for the most part as ill-informed, uncritical and indifferent. With rare exceptions, as in the case of the dead soldiers in Mogadishu, mail to U.S. politicians and lawmakers about Bosnia, Somalia or Rwanda has been minimal.

Even horrific TV pictures of outrages like the Sarajevo market massacre in February barely shifted public opinion. They played a less critical role in the subsequent diplomatic progress than is commonly believed.

On Feb. 5, for example, under intense French pressure, other diplomatic and military factors had already been quiet-

ly at work for weeks. "It did not take just the TV coverage of the Sarajevo massacre to push things forward," said Mark Gearan, White House communications director. "Things were moving."

Bosnia, Somalia and Rwanda are the conflicts recalled most vividly because of the impact of television coverage virtually live from the war zone. But for editorial and financial reasons, television can only "smother-cover" one crisis

-zone at a time.

If Sarajevo had been in flames, or there had been a rerun of October's White House siege in Moscow, television's random searchlight might never have highlighted Rwanda with the intensity it has. As a result, it is likely that the United States would never have made the current high-profile humanitarian commitment of personnel. equipment and materials.

For the West, Bosnia and Somalia were probably diplomatic watersheds. They defined starkly the limits to any moral imperative for foreign intervention in future conflicts. In Rwanda and elsewhere TV

cameras will continue to cover the carnage. The ghastly pictures will create deep emotions. But the chances that they will stir governments into decisive action are small and diminishing quickly. The TV images will merely highlight conflicts that Western governments have neither the ability to prevent nor the decisive political will to solve. TV war coverage is not the catalyst that many assume.

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Privacy in a Big-Eared, Blabbermouth Nation

By Richard Reeves

WASHINGTON — Heading toward a taxi line at National Airport surrounded dard probing techniques was to say, "Well, so-and-so told me off the record that ..." and mumbling to themselves - the cellular telephone crowd l asked a friend, a highranking political appointee in the Clinton administration, whether he was keeping a dia-

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ry, a journal of the most exciting days of his life.
"No," he said. "I wish I could, but it's just too

dangerous. Dangerous? Although there was nothing controversial about his work, he said, he had already been hit with two Freedom of Information Act demands for office records, inchiding datebooks, telephone logs, which he had, and any diaries or journals, which, luckily, he did not.

So, if you want to keep a diary while in government service, as did, say, John Quincy Adams or George Kennan, you must do so knowing that it might end up on national tele-vision, as will the journals of Senator Robert Packwood and of the current deputy secretary of the Treasury, Roger Altman, and his aides and associates.

My informant, who has some experience now as an interviewee, also said that he realizes that there is no such thing as "off the record." He said that when reporters interviewed him, one of their stan-

by people holding their ears. He was surprised by that. I was not, having done it many times myself. Somewhere along the lines

of new laws, new technology and tabloidized television and press, privacy has disappeared as a fundamental right in American society. In effect, in America, thoughts cannot be kept secret if they have once heen verhalized or written down. Fact or fantasy, there is risk (or opportunity) that anything from musings to theorems will surface in court or on Court TV, in the Star, on the Oprah Winfrey or Geraldo Rivera show, or in Boh Wood-

ward's next book. No man is a hero to his valet. That is doubly true now that there is a five-figure market for the valet's peeking. And no words are protected anymore, particularly if they are carried through the air between wireless or cellular telephones.

Telephone eavesdropping, standard now all over America, was the way the current national insanity began: Po-lice electronically located the briefly vanished O. J. Simpson when the former football star called his mother on the cellular phone in his friend's car. The alleged killers of Michael Jordan's father were tracked down in North Carolina hy a scan of cellular telephone records. In Virginia, the political fend between Senator Charles



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Robh and former Governor Douglas Wilder became pub-lic when Mr. Wilder fonlishly rattled on about the vices of his adversary on the phone

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in his limousin Half of all U.S. households now have wireless telephones of one sort or another. That means that half the homes in America are, in effect, small radio stations — if anyone out there is inclined to listen to kitchen or bedroom broadcasts. Ten percent of Americans, they say, now have cellu-lar telephones, which function not only as mobile radio broadcasters but as a locating device.

Also, in electronic America. no worker is safe from hidden video cameras in offices and to remember such things, the

And no one who works on a computer knows whether or not his or her boss is electronically eavesdropping on another screen somewhere in the same building. A magazine called MacWorld, for users of

puter filings of employees. Privacy? There are laws, of course, but the volume (and acceptability) of electronic spying makes them unenforceable. The country is wired - withont wires. For those old enough

saying: "If you do not stabilize

population with justice, with

humanity and mercy, then it will be done for us by nature,

and it will be done brutally and

Ironically, the same issue of

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By Robert Byrne

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without pity."

Apple computers, has some-how concluded that 21.6 per-

cent of employers scan the

electronie mail and other com-

big party line - with a president, who is nothing if not a modern man, comfortable going on television and answering questions about what kind of

underwear he prefers. What to do? Tom Kneitel, editor of Popular Communications, said: "I wouldn't say anything on a telephone that I wouldn't say in a crowded elevator. I wouldn't talk to a doctor, a lawyer, an accountant or a hanker on a wireless phone.

In Washington, Michael Bozza of the Justice Department advises us: "Learn to talk like drug dealers."

Thanks. Is America a great

country or what? Universal Press Syndicate.

conference could lead to "the

most disastrous massacre in his-

That unfortunate statement

is in line with a campaign by

militant Muslim fundamental-

ists in Egypt to discredit and

sabotage the conference, label-

the Tribune carried an item from Rome ("Vatican Presses Attack on UN Talks") that quotes Cardinal Alfonso Lopez

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RAMSES NASSIF.

ing it "an imperialist plot."
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Behind the Plot on Hitler

Regarding "The Resistance Is Honored Rather Late in the Day" (Opinion, July 20) by Don-ald Koblitz, and "The Fate of These Resisters Proved a Tragedy for All" (Opinion, July 21) by. Thomas Fleming;

The sight of Germans com-memorating the failed attempt to kill Hitler by a disgruntled group of military officers underscores the desperation in which Germany seeks to salvage something honorable out of the war, Certainly it is difficult to accept that your homeland was unconscionably evil, so the desire to find something to hail triumphantly half a century later is understandable - but in

The perpetrators for the most part were not democratic men, nor defenders of the self-determination of peoples; they were not against Hitler's militarism and were most likely not terribly bothered by Germany's bruta subjugation of vast parts of Europe. Which of them resigned his commission in disgust at the German occupation of Poland, Norway or Russia, or over the

his case misplaced.

regime's treatment of Jews? ... No, they were just against losing the war. They were milinance, especially on the few un- tary, men who recognized that

reactions of the creative mind

The decision to employ and

protect artists was taken as

soon as war was declared.

Memories of the slaughter of

painters and poets in World War I were still vivid, and men

such as Kenneth Clark, director

of London's National Gallery,

nard Keynes, were secretly de-termined to "keep the artists at

work on any prefext and as far as possible to prevent them from being killed." Their com-

bined efforts, eventually cen-

tralized at the much satirized

Ministry of Information (the model for Orwell's Ministry of

Truth in "1984"), would not only ensure the financial surviv-

al of the artists, but would ac-

public.

tively bring their works to the

But, as the authors point out

with considerable wit, bringing

together artists and bureaucra-

and the economist John Mar

to such intervention.

the stupendous blitzes of the turning into stupefying defeats when that same temerity was perverted through madness and a sense of infallibility.

It is no coincidence that these men acted weeks after the Allied landings in Normandy and the launching of the great Soviet summer offensive. They saw the end coming, and its only avoidance was to get rid of Hitler.

They did, of course, at least have the courage to act, irrespective of the motive. But the motive is important.

Germany sadly can portray men were too few and for the most part morally implicated to give credence to Colonel Claus von Stauffenberg's cry of a "sacred Germany."

What Germans can say is that they did not get away with impunity. Ten million Germans died. Cities were bombed to

I think the time for true German celebration will come in five years, with the 50th anniver sary of the founding of the Federal Republie: a successful, peaceful, prosperous partner in

Gérard Martin, a scriptwrit-

er and director of TV documen-

taries, is reading a French trans-

lation of the Oxford Companion

"I love reading any kind of

dictionary, and dip into this most nights in bed. It can inspire

an idea for a new film, give inspi-

ration for a documentary, and

most important, send me to

(John Brunton, IHT)

10 Classical Literature.

sleep in a few minutes."

persuading the likes of Henry Moore and Graham Sutherland

to take on war-related assign-

ments that would justify their

down of his car to take the Un-

derground one night, was over-

whelmed at the sight of the

masses who had sought shelter

Sutherland, also stymied, but

Moore, forced by the break-

support by his ministry.

early years, owing much to Hit-That is the triumph out of the keeping with the secular ideals let's temerity and unconven-ashes. Who in 1945 could have in the Indian Constitution. tional military thinking, were imagined this sort of Germany? R. G. PILLER.

London.

Donald Kohlitz describes Colonel Claus von Stauffenberg as a "conservative officer from the Prossian aristocracy." In fact, the Stauffenberg family has its roots in Württemberg, where Claus von Stauffenberg spent his boyhood, first in the Old Castle of Stuttgart (his fa-

ther held a high post at the court of the last king of Wurttemberg), and later at the family estate in Lautlingen, a small village in the Swabian Jura nothing positive about the war mountains. He loved his Swabithat is convincing, and these an country and never made a secret of his perfect knowledge of the Swabian dialect. Claus von Stauffenberg had a vast range of literary interests the was friendly with the poet Stefan George); by no means was he a representative of the

military class. ERWIN HARTMANN.

Listening to Nasrin

I have been deeply impressed by your extensive coverage of the Taslima Nasrin case. It is a matter of shame that

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proud of, to display in the world. her cause as we should have in

At the same time, it is a matter of great happiness that an Indian Muslim, Salman Rushdie, is taking up the cause of secularism worldwide.

India is a democratic country, and one of the fundamental principles of the system is that minorities should be treated as equals and with respect.

Countries like India, Paki-

stan and Bangladesh say they swear by secularism, but in reality they are different. In regards to Taslima Nasrin,

it is necessary to reiterate that she never wanted the Koran to ernment has issued a stern be rewritten, as reported by some in the press. She only wanted the Sharia, the legal code of Islam, to be changed. She said that Muslims should

not be afraid and should express their opinions openly. The Prophet said: "Fear the plaints of the oppressed / Even of unbelievers / For they pass the barriers / And pierce all veils [to God]."

AJIT S. GOPAL. New Delhi.

As is well-known, Bangla-desh was born through a struggle for independence in pursuance of the democratic right to Europe. That is something to be we in India have not supported life, liberty and progress.

Jennings. Jennings, already in

the government employ, was assigned to the Ministry of Infor-

mation's intrigue-riven propa-ganda film division. A brilliant

dilettante, he had dabbled in

surrealism and helped found an

organization known as Mass

Observation, whose mission was

investigation of the "ordinary

man." The destruction and hlur-

ring of social distinctions during

the Blitz brought all these dispa-

rate tendencies into focus. The

piece, "Fires Were Started," a

tribute to the National Fire Ser-

vice, which, according to one

critic, is the only propaganda movie made in World War II

that can be seen today without

The third essay requires a

quantum leap, describing as it

does the wartime experience of

Benjamin Britten, conscien-

tious objector and homosexual.

When war broke out Britten

and his companion, Peter Pears,

were in New York where they

were enjoying considerable mu-

embarrassment.

result was Jennings's master-

Today, Bangladesh is on its most important global meeting way to self-sufficiency and sustained development. The economy is doing well, exports are Kendall, the Nobel scientist, as a means of family planning. omy is doing well, exports are booming, reforms for a market economy have taken root. Enter Taslima Nasrin, Alle-

gations are being made about violations of her right of expression. But Ms. Nasrin's prosecution for malicious attacks on the religious feelings of the peo-

ple comes under a 100-year-old law promulgated by the British government, which has stood the test of time. It provides for a maximum punishment of two years' imprisonment, a fine or both. And the Bangladesh govwarning to anybody threaten-

A. H. MAHMOOD ALI Ambassador of Bangladesh.

Bonn.

The Population Battle Regarding "Start Easing the Rich-Poor Divide Now" (Opin-

ion, July 23) by Paul Kennedy Mr. Kennedy has given us a candid, comprehensive appraisal of the gigantic popula-

today -as well as the expecta-

conference in Cairo, in Sep-

tember, which he calls "its

sical success. They were lodged

in an incredible menage that included, among others, W.H.

Auden. Golo Mann and Gypsy

Rose Lee, who, we are told wrote the G-String Murders

there." This appears to have been ton much for Britten and

he soon moved on to California

where homesickness set in when

on the Suffolk poet George

Crahbe. Crabbe's verses would

provide the spark both for Brit-ten's opera "Peter Grimes" and

for his return to England in

1942. Once there, Britten and

Pears were exempted from com-

bat service by a military tribu-

nal, and they too came under the wing of the Ministry of In-

formation. From then on they

contributed to the war effort by

giving numerous free concerts.

Lynn H. Ni**cholas,** the author

"The Rape of Europa: The

COUNTRIES

Fate of Europe's Treasures in the

Third Reich and the Second

World War," wrote this for The

Washington Post.

attacking games. In Game 2 Adams took his chance to score the quickest decision in their

The Rossolimo Variation of the Sicilian Defense, 3 Bb5, departs from the sharp systems of the open lines with 3 d4, but it tion problem facing the world has its own tactical problems. which are framed against a po-sitional hackground. Black can tions from the United Nations afford to play 3... Not because it would probably be too dogmatie for White to create doubled e

pawns with 4 Bc6 bc. On 4 0-0, Black can guard against doubled pawns by 4...Bd7, yielding White positional advantage and an initiative that outweighs the sacri-

ficed pawn. Modern Chess Openings, brands 4...Bg4 as unreliable, pointing out that after 5 h3 Bh5 6 c3 a6 7 Bc6 bc 8 d4 cd 9 cd. White has a minimal advantage. Tiviakov deviated from this with 6...Qb6, to prevent douhled pawns, hut after 7 Na3 a6 8 Ba4 Qc7, Black's develophe read an E.M. Forster article

ment was seriously lagging. On 9 d4, Tiviakov tried to end Adams's pressure all at once with the aggressive 9...b5? and encountered Adams's powerful speculative knight sacrifice with 10 Nb5!? ab 11 Bh5. It was now difficult to fend off the reinforcement of the bishop pin with 12 d5.

Tiviakov ventured 11...0-0-0, which allowed him to keep his material advantage of a piece for two pawns, although he still had to face a mating attack with

In view of the threat of 13 Be3, 14 Rabl and 15bc, Tivia-

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CHESS TIVIAKOV/BLACK duced some of the most colorful

Position after 24 . . . Rde8

kov was pretty much forced to advance 14...c4.

Nothing could stop the avalanche of pawns that Adams put in motion with 15 d5, 17 Bc6, 18 h5, 21 a4 and 22 a5. On 22... Nc6 23 bc Nd5 24 Qh5, there was no way for Tiviakov to put up a fight: 24...Nc3 would have been crushed by 25 Qa6 Kb8 26 Rahl.

After 24...Rde8, Adams shot 25 Bb6!, mummifying the black king. On 25...Nb6, there could have followed 26 ah Qb8 27 e7 Qb7 28 Ra7 Qa7 29 ba Kc7 30 Rh1. Tiviakov gave up.



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find his inspiration in the eerie

bombscapes of the deserted East End. His fellow painter

Paul Nash started faster, but to

the dismay of his superiors at

the Air Ministry, who wanted

him to paint nice pictures of

planes, became obsessed by the

twisted wreckage of German

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Jean-Philippe Delhomme's illustrations for Barneys for designs (from left) by Armani, Neuville, Cactus & Rose, and Givenchy.



Fashion Comeback for Illustration

By John Brunton
International Herold Tribune

EW YORK -- Today's obsession with supermodels and celebrity photographs would seem to have all but eclipsed the old-fashioned, untrendy art of illustration.

Who would possibly imagine anyone mad enough to advertise a new range of haute couture designs or launch a million-dollar campaign to publicize the opening of a store boasting one of the most fam-ous U.S. fashioo names by a series of quirky, almost childlike illustrations. And hand-painted by a Frenchman at

Not only is there no Claudia Schiffer or Linda Evangelista, no ballmark Annie Liebowitz or Bruce Weber snaps, but in-

David Hockney, with an almost chubby, expressionless girl, accompanied by obscure captions like "Sometimes you're an art movement" or "Sometimes you think pink but wear black." But that is exactly what Barneys has done to promote new stores in New York and Los Angeles.

And overnight, the French artist Jean-Philippe Delhomme, working with a former Warhol protégée and Madonna collaborator, Glenn O'Brien, bas brought illustration back into the fashion spotlight.

Europeans are familiar with Delhomme's style. There were his posters for movies like Pedro Almodovar's "Tie Me Up. Tie Me Down" and Kenneth Branagh's "Peter's Friends," an off-beat TV commercial for a soap powder, and designs that stead drawings such as a bare have appeared in a wide range from the magazines that pub-

Liberation and Britain's Sun-But it's in the French version

of the American Glamour magazine that Delhomme has really developed his approach. Since the launch of Glamour in France in 1988, Delhomme has had his own one-page column. commenting on French style, fashion, fads and dreams. The page features colorful gouache paintings accompanied by cynical, satirical captions written by Delhomme,

Delhomme relentlessly pokes fun at the fashion-conscious, image-obsessed French. One of the young women is described as follows: "Jocelyn, 22 years old, a writer, three novels, pho-tographed in her studio. Ambition: to be a work of art."

Delhomme gets inspiration

pastel illustration, somewhere of publications, from Vogue lish his work. "I think there is a between Edward Hopper and and Elle, to the French daily, world that is created, invented world that is created, invented Barneys just when they were by newspapers and magazines looking for something different, that doesn't exist anywhere a rupture with their past, and else," he said. "They construct equally lucky to meet up with their own images for their readers, who more often than not are all too willing to believe them. So a 'décalage', a kind of jet lag, appears between life written up in magazines and what's happening in the real world. And that is the space

where I operate in." you get down there you discov- are necessities." er it's totally untrue, apart from maybe one sleazy bar. Also the

Ive found that people actually like being teased about their come to New York. I'd always interesting to take part in peoseen it as some kind of impreg- ple's lives, say when they see nable fortress, and turning up one of my drawings on a poster with just your portfolio under or in a magazine, rather than

He was fortunate to arrive at O'Brien, the man who provided the captions to match Delhomme's designs.

This is also the first time Delhomme has illustrated specific designs for fashion outfits. The Barneys drawings include clothes by Azzedine Alaia, Bill Blass, Armani and Givenchy. "A fashion magazine may Delhomme draws a faceless girl suddenly decide a certain part with the caption "Sometimes of the city is 'in,' say Belleville you're a rebel," while Armani's in Paris, with clubs, poetry clothes are illustrated by a cool readings, bistrots. But when guy saying "Sometimes luxuries

The secret of Delhomme's maybe one sleazy par. Also the media and advertising are always trying to idealize the perfect person, the most fashionable, most cultured, whatever. I just try and show that these 'ideal' people can have a few his own personal art into a comparable may be and fortunately success is that he manages to combine art and commercialism. He is no failed artist forced to make his living by selling out to illustration, but rather a painter who succeeds in transforming his own personal art into a comsuccess is that he manages to problems too, and fortunately mercial expression.

"I am happy to say that I earn my living from my art, "he insists, "because I'm fortunate The decision to try his luck in that the work I do for my clients the United States was not easy. is creative enough to satisfy my "Although I've already worked own personal feelings. I hate a lot in London and Tokyo, the artistic notion of working in where they are very open about a vacuum from some ivory towillustration, Pd never dared to er, and frankly I find it more your arm is like embarking on a people filing past a painting in polar expedition," he said. an art gallery."



An interior view of the elegant but comfortable Cafe Marly.

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In' Dining at the Louvre

By Jean Rafferty

ARIS - It's summer and suddenly everyone Though thousands of tourists throng the Louvre, the Cafe Marly, tucked discreetly into the recently renovated Richelieu wing of the Louvre, was something of a secret until its tables and chairs spread out over the pyramid esplanade. Now its ultra-comfortable banquettes under the areades are the latest spot to be seen.

Upstairs, the Marly, which opened in January, is still al-

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most like a chib. The address is on the Rue de Rivoli, but the entrance is by the peristyle on the Cour Napoléon to the north of the pyramid.

The banners announcing its name are easy to miss. But such discriminating Tout Parisiens as Henry Racamier, head of of Orcofi (which controls the fashion house of Lanvin with Oreal), the designer Karl Lager-feld as well as the architectural star Jean Nouvel, Michel Laclotte, director of the Louvre, and the ballet supremo Patrick Dupond have settled in here.

. The decor is both soothing and glamorous, a contemporary

update by the designers Olivier Gagnere and Yves Taralon of a grand Venetian cafe. The patinaed antique red and ash blue walls, inspired, say the designers, by the Villa Mystère of Pompeii, soften and illuminate the opulent black and gold Na-poleon III boiseries, which were conserved as a landmark from the original interior.

In the main room is a huge red, white and blue glass chan-delier that was hand-blown to Gagnere's design at the Atelier Toso in Murano

Views from all Marly's rooms are remarkable: From the Salon Moray (named for the socially peripatetic Second Empire duke), you look over I. M. Pei's pyramid and fountains in the Cour Napoléon: from the two smaller salons de Marly, the spirited horses that dominate the striking sculpture-filled Cour Marly, which is now glassed over as part of the Richelicu wing.

From the arcades, one has a front-row panorama of the pyramid and fountains, while the esplanade tables are reminiscent of the Cafe Florian on St.

Mark's Square in Venice.
"The Marly is the opening of the Louvre to Paris, the liaison between the city and the museum," said Gilbert Costes, who with his brother, Jean-Louis, is behind two of the city's most charismatic cafés, the Philippe Starck-designed Café Costes in Les Halles and the Café Beaubourg by Christian Portzampare opposite the Pompidou

The Marty is something of a departure for a museum restanrant since it is open seven days a week from 8 A. M. to 2 A. M. independently of the museum.

One can breakfast on croissant and coffee while perusing the papers (kept on wooden ba-tons), have a glass of cham-pagne or hunch or dine on simple but tasty brasserie fare. These include fish, grilled steak. or roast chicken, string bean and mushroom salad, and a tarte fine our pommes.

There is an international selection to warm the hearts of those looking for a touch of. home from chib sandwiches. cheeseburgers and brownies to ravioli, carpaccio and tomatoes ? mozzarella or grilled sole and raw tuna à la japonaise.

"The Louvre bas become-Onvivial in the evenings," says," Gilbert Costes, "and the most flattering rendezvous in Paris."

Café Mariy, 93 rue de Rivoli.

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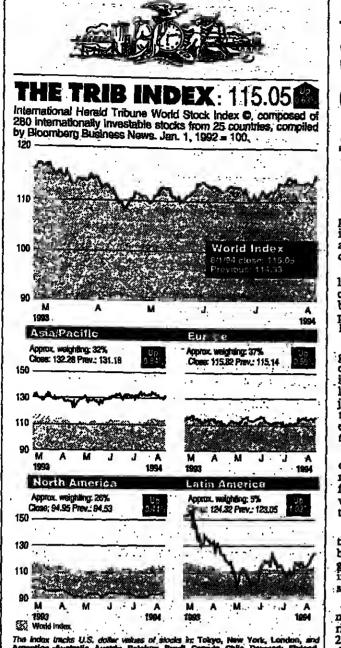
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Prices Surge for Crude Oil

Strike in Nigeria Viewed as Threat

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Crude oil prices shot to the highest level in more than a year Monday as a month-old strike by Nigerian oil workers worsened.

Crude oil for September de-livery on the New York Mer-cantile Exchange rose 25 cents a barrel, to \$20.55, the first time prices had reached that level in

"It looks like the situation is getting worse," said John Sau-cer, an analyst at Smith Barney in Houston. "Most people are looking for additional force majeure declarations and produc-tion cuts because a lot of foreign staff are reportedly leaving the country."

Nigeria's oil unions backed out of talks with the country's military government scheduled for Monday, and the unions vowed to continue the strike until democracy is restored.

The strike could gain additional force if the Nigerian Labor Congress, the umhrella group for the country's major industrial unions, joins the strike Wednesday.

. The longer the strike lasts, the more likely it is to disrupt Nigoria's daily crude output of nearly 2 million barrels, or 3 percent of the world's supply. The strike has already reduced production by about \$00,000 barrels a day because of equipment problems and threats of violence against the few expatriate workers still manning operations.

The strike began to bite into Nigerian crude exports last week, when Royal Dutch/Shell Group said it would not be able to deliver most of its August cargoes on schedule.

(Knight:Ridder, Bloomberg, Reuters)

Insider DC: Fun 'n' Profit **Dubious \$1,000 Game Lures Capitol Set**

By Robert O'Harrow Jr. and Bill Miller

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — With the fervor of a motivational speaker, an executive from one of Washington's most prominent lobbying concerns exhorted all in the crowd to work their Rolodexes and recruit friends looking for fast cash.

Stick with the game, Geoffrey Petersoo told the oearly 100 well-connected professionals packed around the mirrors and hair dryers of an L Street beauty salon last week. and they could make thousands of dollars in

"You're in control of your own destiny,"

the tanned senior vice president of Cassidy & Associates said in the salon, which is operated

by an acquaintance, "Get out there and sell!" After listening intently to Mr. Peterson, the people got down to business — playing "Air-plane," a high-stakes, high-risk pyramid "game" that uses real money.

Rules call for players to pay \$1,000 each to become one of eight "passengers" on an imaginary airplane. The passengers make up the bottom level of a pyramid. The oext level up consists of four "crew members." The oext level is shared by two "copilots." At the top is

the "pilot."
When the airplane is "full," the pilot leaves

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Russia Probing Investment Fund

LONDON - The Russian Finance Ministry, the Anti-Monopoly Committee and tax authorities have summoned the management of MMM, the troubled investment fund, to a meeting on Wednesday, according to a report monitored by the BBC.

The Itar-Tass press agency said MMM had been ordered to admit independent auditors to assess its assets and management practices.

The letter summoning the MMM managers to the meet-

ing also instructed them to draw up a register of share-holders by Oct. I and to exchange share certificates. The letter was sent to all MMM offices and to the president, Sergei Mavrodi, at his home.

The value of MMM's shares plummeted Friday from the equivalent of \$55 to about 50 cents. Thousands of angry investors protested outside the Moscow headquarters. The company had an estimated 5 million to 10 millioo investors in a pyramid operation in which mon-

ered payouts to earlier investors.

The Finance Ministry demanded a report on the way MMM share certificates and warrants are issued.

MMM was ordered to to stop exaggerated advertising and promotional methods counter to a presidential decree "oo protecting the interests of investors."

There were warnings Monday that other investment companies would "fall like dominoes" if the government did oot take action.

Trade Tensions Have a Limited **Effect on Dollar**

weakened Monday, but the muoications and medical drop was modest considering equipment. But Washington the hreakdown of trade talks has given Tokyo 60 days before between the United States and, it puts higher tariffs on some Japan that was announced on Japanese exports to the United

Analysts said the currency had been saved from a rout hy the decisioo to allow a twomonth waiting period before the start of sanctions for the currency. The holding period "gives them plenty of time to reach an agreement," said Roy Lagdeo, a senior dealer at Dresdner Bank, echoing the

feelings of many dealers.

The dollar, which tumbled in early trading as low as 98.38 yen, recovered to elose in New York at 99.445 yen. It closed Friday in New York at 99.950

Mr. Lagden said there was little evidence of willingness to sell the dollar and that many investors had been more than

happy to buy on the dips. This was a market feeling its way on Mooday," he said, adding that he expected activity to pick up Tuesday. On Sunday the United States

launched trade-sanctions pro-

been waiting 10 years oow."

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sports. We would have both ca-

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ceedings against Japan for ob-NEW YORK — The dollar structing imports of telecom-States.

Both Tokyo and Washington have tried to play down the fail-ure of the trade talks, stressing that they have a oumber of weeks to settle their differences. Dealers said there was lingering hope that Japan would manage to reach a compromise with its largest trading partner before any sanctions take effect.

Prime Mioister Tomiiebi Murayama said he wanted the Japanese team to oegotiate "tenaciously" over the oext two months and expressed hope for a mutually satisfactory outcome.

Kozo Igarashii, a cahioet spokesman, also responded mildly, hut he repeated the loog-established Japanese positioo that Tokyo would break off oegotiations on any trade sector if sanctions were imposed. Mr. Igarashii said Japan would continue occotiating in sectors oot touched by sanctions.

The Japanese have so far oot See DOLLAR, Page 10

Turner Confirms He Wants CBS — or NBC or ABC

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The Associated Press ST. PETERSBURG - Ted

Turner, the cable television pioocer, confirmed Monday that he was interested in buying CBS Inc. - or either of the two other major U.S. television octworks, for that matter.

But he said there was oothing specific in the works at the mo-

ment.

Mr. Turner has long harbored an interest in huying a broadcast TV network as a complement to his cable emsent.

Petersburg, where he is attending the Goodwill Games.

"I keep up contact with the three of them," Mr. Turner complement to his cable emsent.

shopping-channel operator stirred speculation that he would bid for CBS.

"I think basically all three of them are available for the right deal," the chairman of Turner Broadcasting System Inc. said to a group of reporters in St.

that all three will change hands works oow. But I'm just exin the oext couple of years," he pressing a desire. I mean sooner would be better than later. I've would be better than later. I've of them."

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Network, CNN Headlioe News, superstation WTBS, the TNT octwork and the Cartoon Network.

Turner ooted that CBS has oo cahle oetwork and said "that's being pointed out as one of the buge deficiencies of that "It'd give us a oetwork," he said. "We'd be in the same posi-

Atlanta-based Turner Broad- the cable-TV companies that sit casting owns the Cable News on his board for such a hid.

Thinking Ahead /Commentary

Jingoism Dampens Atlantic Trade

By Reginald Dale nal Herald Tribune

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TASHINGTON - The advent of the global economy is having a perverse side-ef-fect: while companies are in-creasingly operating worldwide, govern-ments are becoming more nationalistic. In the name of national competitive-

ness Western governments are increasing ly treating foreign companies as if they were hostile and are discriminating a-gainst foreign investment in a self-deteating attempt to protect their home bases. Ironically this retrograde trend is being led by the United States and the European Union, which have the most to gain from free investment flows.

It is time to stop the rot before it spreads any further. One good idea, currently being proposed by the European-American Chamber of Commerce in Washington, would be to launch a bid to liberalize trans-Atlantic investment flows. The trans-Atlantic investment rela-

tionship is "the world's largest and most beneficial," according to Willard M. Berry, the chamber's president. It has created almost 3 million jobs on either side of the ocean, and, unlike American and European investment relations with Japan, it is well balanced.

Bot while trade liberalization has largely kept pace with growth in world trade, rules on investment have lagged. At issue is the principle of national treatment, which guarantees that a country will treat foreign companies no less

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the EU are committed. But Washington and Brussels are undermining that princi-ple by increasingly seeking to make it

Mr. Beary identifies 12 bills pending in the U.S. Congress that would discrimi-nate against foreign companies which are seeking for example, U.S. govern-

Washington and Brussels are resorting to protectionism even as companies expand internationally.

ment research and development funds or private telecommunications contracts. Conditional national treatment, says Cynthia Beltz, a research fellow at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington, is spreading through U.S. legislation "like an undetected computer virus."

The same thing is going on in Brussels.

The EU is planning, for instance, to put conditions on foreign companies' freedom to exploit hydrocarbons and receive satellite signals.

Both sides argue that the aim is actual-

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ly to force other countries to improve their treatment of foreign companies. Frequently the new conditions stipulate that foreign companies may only

favorably than it does its own — a princi-ple to which both the United States and their home countries grant the same privtheir home countries grant the same priv-

ileges in return.
But in practice, the conditions are just as liable to be used for protectionist

As Ms. Beltz points out, they can easily be abused to serve oot the national interest but the parochial interests of individual companies or states. They also invite retaliation. If the

United States restricts foreign participa-Omen States restricts foreign paradipa-tion in its research programs, other gov-ernments are likely to impose tougher rules on American companies — defeat-ing the whole object of the exercise. That kind of beggar-thy-oeighbor coo-duct can only further compartmentalize

markets, impeding the flow of investment and stiming trade. More than half of trans-Atlantic trade is now between companies and their foreign affiliates.
Studies cited by Ms. Beltz show that foreign investment in the United States is beneficial. It has introduced new tech-

nology and better management techniques. It has also raised U.S. productivity by increasing competition.

Mr. Berry is right to call for more open
and predictable trans-Atlantic investment rules that would reaffirm the na-

tional treatment principle. Such an arrangement could then be spread more widely through the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. It is in their own interests for Washington and Brussels to take the lead. The oext challenge will be to get Japan to play by the same rules.

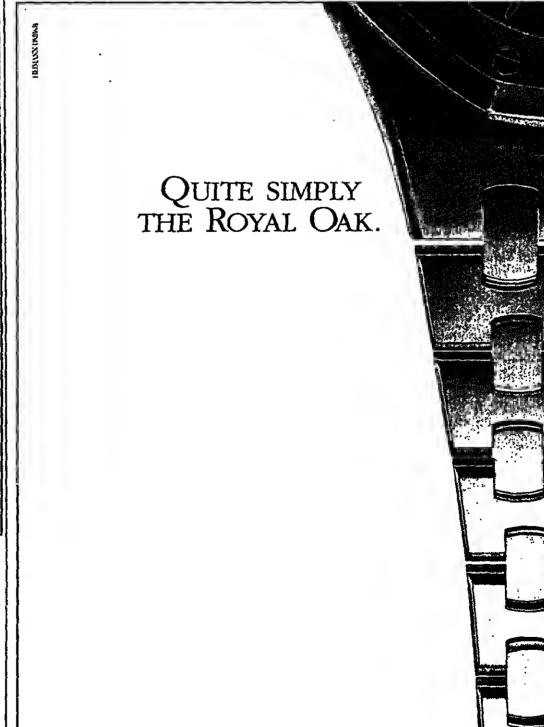
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pure. The recent collapse of CBS proposed merger with a owners of the NBC and ABC sent moment — that's the present moment," he said here, "I television oetworks. There's been a lot of writing have oothing specifie in the works oow. But I'm just ex-

true, and I just hope we'll be able to align ourselves with one After the possible CBS merg-

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Dow Jones Averages

Cyclicals Extend **Wall Street Rally**

economic growth would ease Board to raise interest rates sooo and strength in cyclical issues lifted the stock market Monday.

MARKET DIARY

The Dow Jones industrial avcrage finished up 33.67 points at 3,798.17, while gaining issues led losing ones by an 7-to-4 ratio on

U.S. Stocks

the New York Stock Exchange. A government report showing that gains in consumer spending and income trailed economists' expectations io June eased coocerns that rising inflatioo would prompt the Fed to adjust rates soon.

but bond traders remained uocoovioced because of a strong report oo manufacturing from the National Association of Purchasing Management. A weaker dollar also undermined the bond market.
The price of the benchmark

30-year Treasury bond finished flat at 86 13/32, and the yield was steady at 7.39 percent. Automotive issues led the ral-

ly among stocks most sensitive to economic cycles. General Motors jumped 1½ to 52%.

NEW YORK — Growing with Bethlehem Steel getting an added lift from its announcement that it would raise prices pressure on the Federal Reserve starting with Jan. 1 shipments.

> of the Swedish telecommunications company LM Ericsson rose 1/32 to 1 31/32 after the company said it had signed its largest cootract to date in China, a \$400 million agreement with Guangdong Province.

> Drug Administration recommended that use of its Felbatol anti-seizure drug be stopped because several cases of severe anemia have been associated with it.

Schering-Plough, which licenses the drug from Carter-Wallace for marketing outside North America, fell % to 62%.

Newbridge Networks turn-bled 13 5/16 to 28% after the communications equipment maker said earnings for the quarter that ended last week would be well below analysts' estimates and below the previous quarter.

(AP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

DOLLAR: Effects of Trade Rift

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tioos. Tokyo also refrained from some of the stern criticism it has used in recent months about U.S. trade practices.

Mr. Murayama's government has been in place just one eiting growing demand at month, and its disapproval ratings have so far been considerably higher than its approval score. Under such eireumstances, Mr. Murayama hardly wants to get into a high-profile argument with the United States, Japan's chief ally and largest export market.

But it will probably be diffi-cult politically for Mr. Mur-

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American depositary receipts

But drug stocks were weak, with Carter Wallace plunging 4% to 10% after the Food and

American goal to get acceprepeated their frequently stated tance for some form of oumerithreat to bring charges against cal measurement to gauge Ja-the United States in the World pao's imports of foreign

Meanwhile, Japan's media

gave fairly prominent play to a story that seemed to suggest the Americans were untrustworthy trading partners. Johnson In-dostries Co. of the United States has canceled plans to supply parts to the Japanese truckmaker Hino Motors Ltd.,

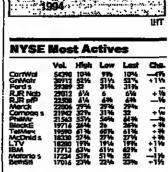
The spokesmao said the Ohio-based company backed out of the deal in early May, saying it did not have enough stock to supply to Hino.

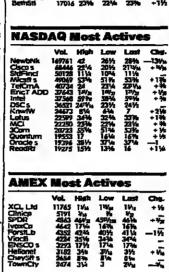
Against other currencies, the dollar closed in New York at 1,5798 Deutsche marks, down from 1.5829 DM on Friday, and at 1.3312 Swiss francs, ayama to accept the basic down from 1.3395 francs. It was also quoted at 5.4000 French francs, dowo from 5.4095

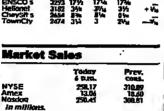
The pound closed at \$1.5353. compared with \$1.5430. (Reuters, AFP, WP)

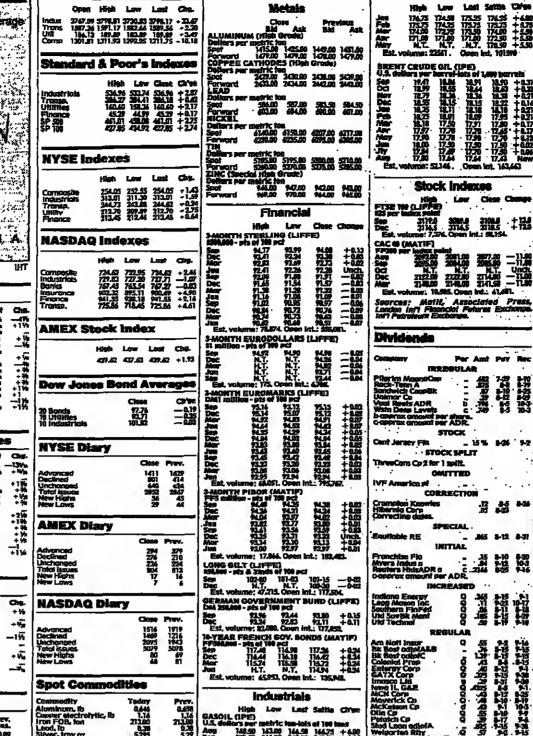
Bethlehem finished up 11/8 at 23%. LTV also rose 11/8, to 19%.

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EUROPEAN FUTURES

U.S. Data on Incomes Point to Economic Slowdown

Spot Commodities

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON —Americans' income rose a scant 0.1 percent in June, the fifth straight increase, but failed to keep pace with a 0.4 percent spending rise, the gov-ernment said Monday.

The June figures for spending and in-come are slightly lower than projections of most ecocomists and may suggest an economy that is growing at a slower pace.

At the same time, an unexpected gain in the National Association of Purchasing Management's July survey suggested that the manufacturing sector remained robust when it slipped 0.6 percent. Disposable

going into the second half of the year, income rose 0.1 percent in June after a 1 analysts said.

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The survey's overall index rose to 57.8 percent, a six-year high, from 57.5 percent in June.

The Commerce Department reported that consumer spending, which represents two-thirds of U.S. economic activity, was up for the second straight mooth and four of the last five. The June increase matched the 0.4 percent advance for May.

locome had risen 0.4 percent in May and the last time it fell was in January, percent increase in May.

In another report, the government said construction spending inched up 0.2 percent in June. Spending on residential, non-residential and government projects totaled \$508 billion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, up from a revised \$507.2 billion in May.

The figures indicated that Americans' savings rate, or savings as a percentage of disposable income, was 4 percent in June, down from a revised 4.3 percent the previous month.

U.S. and Canada Settle Wheat Fight

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States and Canada reached agreement Monday in a contentious fight over wheat that § Congress said.

The agreement will limit overall wheat imports from Canada by imposing high tariffs on shipments above certain levels, according to farm-state lawmakers who were briefed on details of the accord. "It's not everything I would like to see, but it nonetheless is the

first step that will essentially stop the shipments above a certain level," said Senator Byron L. Dorgan, Democrat of North Dakota. Mr. Dorgan said the pact would create a separate set of tariffs for durum wheat, a variety grown mainly in North Dakota and Montana that is used to make pasta.

Two Southern Banks to Become One

WINSTON-SALEM, North Carolina (Bloomberg) - BB&T Financial Cosp. and Southern National Cosp. plan to merge in a \$2.2 billion stock transaction aimed at preparing for increased competition nationwide banking is expected to bring, the compa-

mes said Monday.

Both banks' shares will be swapped for stock in the new company, to be called Southern National Corp. The \$18 billion bank will have a widespread branch network in North Carolina. South Carolina and parts of Virginia.

 Firstar Corp. will acquire First Colonial Bankshares Corp. in a stock-for-stock transaction valued at \$314 million, the companies said. Firstar, which is the largest bank in Wisconsin, with \$14. billion in assets, will exchange 0.7725 of its shares for each share of First Colonial's Class A and Class B common stock.

Sterling to Acquire Knowledge Ware

ATLANTA (Bloomberg) — Sterling Software Inc. said Monday it would pay \$135 million, or about \$7.85 a share, for KnowledgeWare Inc., a move that effectively puts the former football star Fran Tarkenton on the sidelines.

The stock-swap transaction settles concerns over the future of KnowledgeWare, a former high-flier whose fortunes began to wane in 1991 as its mainstay line, mainframe computer software, started to become obsolete. Mr. Tarkenton, chairman and chief executive of KnowledgeWare, will join Sterling's board but will not have a operational role.

Fine Imposed on Nintendo in U.S.

NEW YORK (Reuters) - A federal jury ruled Monday that Nintendo of America, a unit of Nintendo Cos. of Japan, must pay Alpex Computer \$208.3 million for infringing on a patent in its video games.

The Manhattan federal jury found that the Redmond, Wash-

ington, subsidiary of the video game maker was liable but that the Japanese parent was not. John Kirby, a lawyer for Nintendo, said the company would ask U.S. District Judge Kimba Wood to throw out the damage award. If she refuses, it will turn to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

For the Record

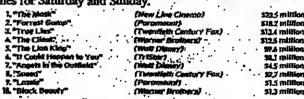
Synergen fac. said it would fire 60 percent of its employees, two weeks after the biotechnology company said its most promising drug had failed a clinical trial. (Bloomberg)

LDDS Communications inc. said it would acquire IDB Communications Group for about \$721 million in stock. (Bloomberg) Union Carbide Corp. and Kairliam SpA said they would form a venture to produce and market polyemylene in Europe. (AFX) United Technologies' board raised the quarterly dividend to 50 cents a share from 45 cents. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

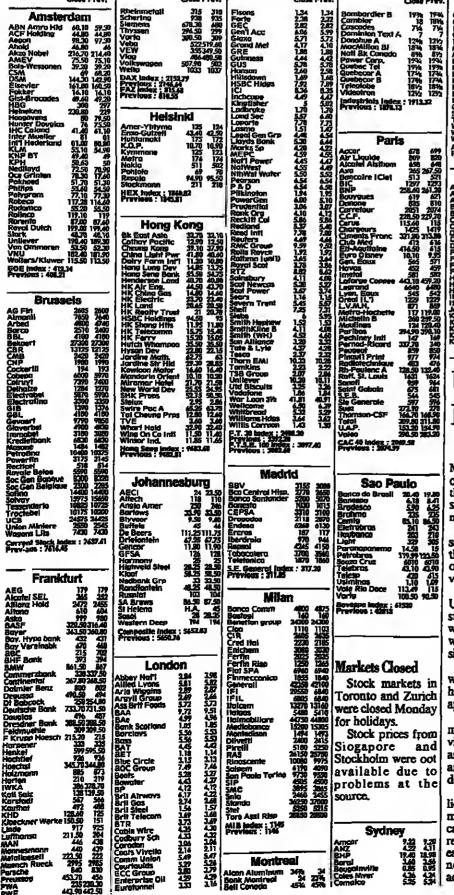
Weekend Box Office

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES - The Mask' dominated the U.S. box office with a gross of \$23.5 million over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.



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U.S. Shoe Rejects Nine West's Offer

CINCINNATI — U.S. Shoe Corp. said Monday the merger proposal it had received from Nine West Group still had all the drawbacks of a proposal rejected by shareholders at the company's annual meeting two months ago.

U.S. Shoe's president, Bannus Hudson, said the proposal called for a spin-off of the company's optical and apparel busioesses, ideas its shareholders defeated in a vote at the annual meeting.

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The chairman, Charles Mechem, said U.S. Shoe had just finished evaluating restructuring the company in accordance with another shareholder vote and said this was not the time for the company to reconsider its position.

Despite the rejection, Nine West, a women's footwear company, apparently has oot given up its pursuit of the shoe and apparel company.

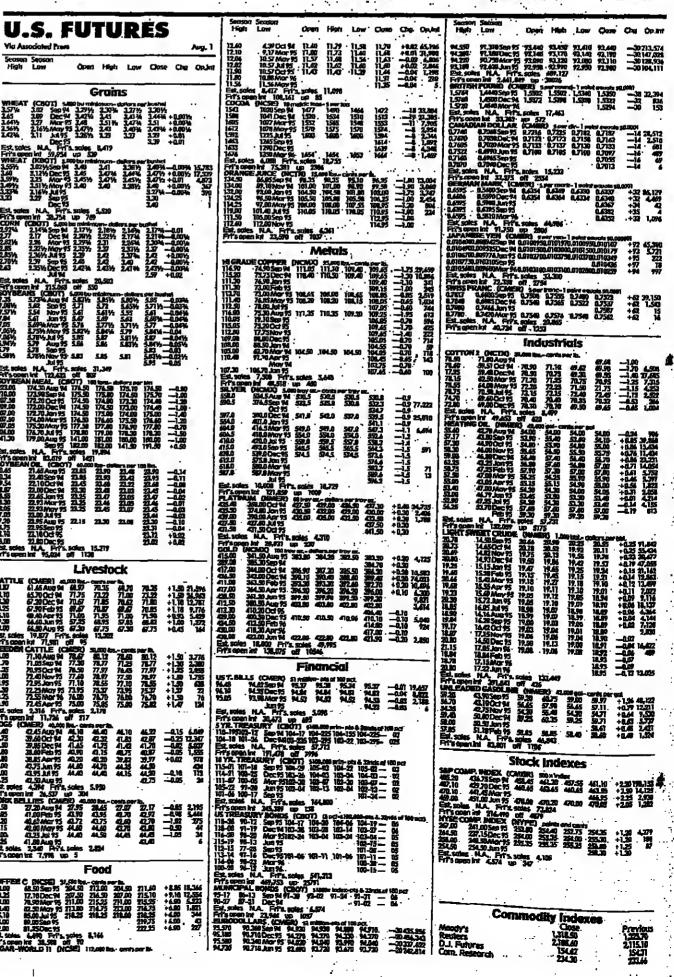
The Nine West chairman, Vincent Camuto, said his company remained convinced that "the logic of a transaction such as this and its ability to create immediate and long-term shareholder value" were undeniable.

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He added, "The complementary portfolio of brands and styles and the fit of the manufacturing, marketing and sourcing capabilities of the operations that would result can create a strong company whose earnings, we estimate, would show little or no dilution in the first full year, and be accretive to earnings thereafter."



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Home Prices Lift Abbey National Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON—Abbey Nation— 12-month low or Stock Exchange. Abbey Nation

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al PLC said Monday that higher housing prices helped lift its first-half pretax profit by 41 percent and that it would pand its insurance business mercial Union PLC.

The second-largest mortgage lender in Britain said it earned £423 million (\$648 million) before taxes in the first six months of 1994, up from £301 million in the 1993 first half.

The bank said more people

were buying higher-priced homes and fewer were backing out of the payments. Abbey reduced its provision for bad debts to £41 million from £159 million a year ago.

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But the bank's net interest income slipped to £642 million from £645 million, and its net interest profit margin fell to

The bank said interest income was not greatly affected by turbulence in the bond market this year because of controls in the bank's treasury operations and its policy of locking in spreads on investments.

> But investors had other ideas and sent the bank's shares to a

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MUNICH - Buoyant mort-

gage lending offset a dramatic

decline in income from its own

trading activities to allow

Bayerische Hypotheken- & Wechsel-Bank AG to report

first-half operating profit Mon-day of 483.3 million Deutsche

marks (\$302.9 million), roughly

unchanged from a year earlier.

generally compare first-half fig-

ures with half of the previous

year's total to smooth out fluc-

son, operating profit was 6.6

Hypo-Bank, which is Germa-

ny's fifth-largest bank and was

heavily exposed to the collapse

of the Schneider property em-pire, said it expected risk provi-

sions this year to be about the - same as last year. The bank had

468 million DM tied up in the

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12-month low on the London Stock Exchange.

Abbey National shares finished at 384 pence, down 14, despite the bank's decision to raise its first-half dividend to 5.7 pence a share from 4.15

The venture between Abbey and Commercial Union, in which Abbey will sell general insurance policies at its 675 branches, was greeted warmly by Commercial's shareholders. ommercial finished at £549,

up 2 pence. The joint venture will consist of two operations: a bosiness unit and a dedicated underwriting company. Abbey will pro-ride 75 percent of the capital for the business unit, while Commercial will inject 85 percent of the funds for the underwriting arm.

Peter Birch, the chief executive of Abbey, said he expected the joint venture to produce profit in excess of £100 million within five years.

Meanwhile, Abbey said Monday its life insurance business earned £47 million in the first half, up from £18 million a

(Bloomberg, Reuters, AFX)

Mortgages Helped Hypo-Bank's Net in First Half

Court Lists Balsam's Debts

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German sports flooring maker Balsam AG opened Monday

in a district court as an official listed the company's debts at

The estimate was made by Hartmut Stange, a court official

A prosecutor said potential losses for creditor banks, in-

who is expected to be appointed administrator of the company.

chiding Deutsche Bank AG and Bayerische Vereinsbank AG,

Balsam was forced into bankruptcy after its entire manage-ment board was arrested on suspicion of frand several weeks

ago. Procedo GmbH, a factoring group whose main client was

Balsam, also has since filed for protection from creditors.

would not change the amount figure. In 1993, Hypo-Bank

Hartmut Pfeiffer, a spokesman, profit had been dragged down said half-year provisions after trading income tumbled

amounted to half the full-year 83 percent, to 13.9 million DM.

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figure for risk provisions, but

BIFLEFELD, Germany - Bankruptcy proceedings for the

Estonia Going to Market **Vouchers Now Can Be Turned Into Stock**

TALLINN, Estonia — Investors looking for a stake in Estonia's economy will get their first chance to buy shares of enterprises this month when vouchers distributed last year gain a new lease of life.

The vouchers, used so far to buy land or property, can be exchanged for shares starting this month.

A brewery and a central Tallinn department store are first on the list. Kalev, the state chocolate factory, and Estonian Tobacco will come next.

"We are trying in provide a good vehicle for voucher investors," said Alan Morley-Fletcher, a consultant here representing a Enropean Union project called Phare. "This is one of the essential processes in setting up a strong, healthy stock market."

Phare aids economic and democratic reform in Central and Eastern Europe.

Estonia regained its status as an independent country in 1991 after four decades under Soviet rule.

Economic reforms since then have brought in the first fully convertible currency in the former Soviet Union. Estonia's inflation is among the lowest in the 15 countries that emerged from the former superpower, and monetary and budgetary policies are tight.

But privatization has trailed other reforms. No companies have yet been offered for public sale, and there is no stock market worthy of mention.

Vonchers -- issued to individuals at nomi-

nal prices linked to the number of years they had worked - were not part of the sell-off. Mr. Morley-Fletcher said mass privatization for vouchers was important to give companies broader ownership.

"Under the current system, where there are frequently only one or twn shareholders per Estonian firm, an institutional stock-market becomes open to corruption," he said.

The government had resisted the idea of selling state companies for vouchers - a model already adopted in other countries of Eastern Europe and especially in Russia. Instead, it sold companies by international tender or by auction.

But Estonia passed a law at the end of June allowing voucher holders to sell them to other people who have lived in the Baltic state for more than 15 years.

The move will open the door to the estab-lishment of privarization funds and to the auction of shares for vouchers. The decision has prompted criticism from

opposition deputies afraid that "dubious capital" will flow into Estonia. "In my opinion the tradability of vouchers

will only provide opportunities for non-Esto-nians who want to buy land in this country," said an opposition member of Parliament, Liina Tonisson.

She said trading vouchers would cause inflation, which has just started to fall after a series of higher-than-expected monthly price

The turbulence on the secu-

probably going to report a de-

cline in commission income and

own-trading for the first half,

but in the course of the year this

shrugged off the news. Shares in

Hypo-Bank lost 0.50 to close

The decline in trading in-

come was partly offset by an

increase in net interest income

DM. Hypo-Bank specializes in mortgage lending, and the bank

said interest income was lifted

by lively demand for building loans. (Bloomberg, AFP)

floor trading at 432 DM.

could change."

Number of Jobless Slips in France

rities and foreign-exchange markets took its toll on our own-trading and commission earnings," the bank said. four years, the Labor Ministry said Manday, but the figures "They were more or less what we predicted," said Thomas did not give any conclusive evi-Pergande, analyst at Vereins-& dence that the trend had been Westbank. "All the banks are reversed.

June data showed the seasonally adjusted number of people out of work fell by 13,000 from May. Unemployment still stood at 3.3 million, but the jobless The German stock market rate was listed as 12.6 percent, rugged off the news. Shares in down from May's record 12.7 percent. The number of unemployed people was 5.4 percent

PARIS - French unemploy-ment fell for the first time in

higher than in June 1993.

A ministry spokesman said it was the first real drop in unemof 12 percent, to 1.99 billion playment since July 1990.

BT to Pare **Job Rolls** By a Third

LONDON - British Telecommunications PLC said Monday it planned to cut 50,000 jobs — one-third of its work force — "over the next several years."

Britain's biggest telecommunications company has cut 90,000 jobs in the past four years and already plans to elimnate 15,000 this year, including 6,000 executive posts.

Chairman Iain Vallance was quoted as saying he thought the ideal size for BT's work force would be about 100,000, and a BT spokesman confirmed the

anticipated job cuts.
The spokesman would not provide a precise timetable.

Job cuts will continue over the next several years," he said. Mr. Vallance said he could not rule out compulsory layoffs.

The group is understood to be experiencing greater prob-lems as job cuts move toward management levels. This year, BT plans to shed more than 6,000 of its 35,000 managers. Mr. Vallance also said that

the British regulatory system should be overhauled to manage the growth of sophisticated

He said the ideal regulatory structure would take on the re-sponsibilities of the Office of felecommunications, the telecom watchdog; the Independent Television Commission. which oversees part of the broadcasting industry, and several other departments.

(Bloomberg, AFP) ■ New Stet Chief Is Named

The SIP SpA chairman, Ernesto Pascale, has been appointed managing director of Società Finanziaria Telefonica SpA, or Stel AFP-Extel News reported from Rome, Mr. Pascale will replace Michele Tedeschi, who is replacing Romano Prodi as chairman of IRI SpA.

Stet could be sold into private hands as soon as this fall, Mr. Tedeschi said. Telecom Italia will be formed from the merger of Italy's five domestic telecommunications firms, all of them controlled by Stet.

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Italy's statistics bureau said retail sales rose 7.7 percent in the first quarter from a year earlier and noted a 15 percent year-onyear increase in first-quarter food sales through small outlets, while nonfood sales rose 4.2 percent.

· Christian Dalloz SA, a French safety-equipment maker, said it had agreed to acquire the Swedish protective-earmuff maker Bilsom AB from Incentive AB.

 Cardo Investment AB said it sold its Bilsom personal protection equipment unit to Christian Dalloz SA of France.

• Arab Banking Corp., one of the biggest international Arab banks in terms of assets, said its pretax profit in the first six months of 1994 rose to \$79 million from \$74 million a year earlier.

• Iveco, the truck division of the Fiat group, made a bid for the Egyptian state-owned vehicle maker Nasr Automotive Manufacturing Co.

• Spie-Batignolles SA sales fell to 8.4 billion French francs (\$1.5 million) in the first balf from 9.3 billion francs a year earlier. Spain plans to set up a 100 billion peseta (\$760 million) credit

line at interest rates five percentage points below current market rates for the purchase of new industrial vehicles. Zimbabwe's construction workers walked off the job to press far

higher pay. German new-business registrations in the former East Germany

fell 10 percent in the first six months of 1994. • The Czech Republic's twn biggest truckmakers, Tatra Koprivnice and Linz, are talking about a merger. Both are burdened with debt and the loss of traditional markets.

Swedish new-car registrations rose 14 percent in July from a year

AIRPLANE: Insiders' Pyramid Game Raises Ethical Issues

· Continued from Page 9

the game with the money col- thing is very suspect," said Da- lobbyists or present conflict-of- not return calls to her office. lected from new players. The vid Saari, a criminal-justice interest problems. pyramid then splits in two, and professor at American Univereach copilot becomes a pilot on a new "airplane." All the players move up one notch as well, and a scramble for new inveswith the lobbyists?" tors begins.
This summer, in a series of

parties that began in Mr. Peter-son's Washington home dozens have been in the Washington son's Washington home, dozens of lobbyists, congressional staff members, lawyers and other professionals have spent hun-dreds of thousands of dollars for a seasonal fling at a game that legal analysts and consumer advocates said is risky and might create at least an appear-

ance of conflict of interest.

It's a game that seems designed for Washington's schmoozers and networkers because it relies on the ability of players who have invested \$1,000 to recruit many more people to do the same thing. By doing so, players move up a chart in an \$8,000 payoff. But critics said the game

raised a range of ethical questions, in part because it in-volved Capitol Hill staff members and lobbyists, who try to influence policy, working to-gether to recruit players and make big profits quickly.

Although there's nothing to indicate that the game has fos-tered inappropriate dealings volved. He said he decided to between lobbyists and congres-sional staff members, ethics mg asked to play by a friend. specialists said the game created an impression that players said, he lost interest and did not could become beholden to one recruit others. He said he had

It's unclear how many playgroup. But interviews with players and documents used to chart the game indicate that at least 120 people, and perhaps as many as several hundred, are playing. Organizers like Mr. Peterson and players said there was no way to know how much

money had changed hands.

The players and documents indicate that those in the game have included Barry Jackson, chief of staff to Representative John A. Bochner, a Republican from Ohio; Letitia Hoadley-White, an aide to Representa-tive Jerry Lewis, a Republican from California; Richard C. Creighton, a Inbbyist and Republican fund-raiser, and Carole Goeas, who until recently was a director for the American Medical Association's political action committee.

Mr. Jackson said he got into the game as a lark, unaware of

not considered the possibility

"The ethical nature of this that the game might involve ment. Miss Hoadley-White did

Mr. Creighton, who is president of the American Portland Cement Alliance and last year was deputy ehairman of a dinner that raised more than \$5 million for Republican candidates, said he saw nothing

wrong with the game. Miss Goeas declined to comIn an interview after a Wasb-

ington Post reporter attended his recruiting pitch in the salon last Monday, Mr. Peterson ini-tially denied having anything to do with the game But the next day he described

it as "a fun game for people whn are adults" and said he bad played host to gatherings at the saion and at his home.

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Reliance in India To Shift Its Focus To Phone Service

NEW DELHI - India's biggest private company, Reliance Industries Ltd., says it wants to shift from its core petrochemical business to telecommunications to meet the country's huge demand for telephone service.

At present, would-be cusiomers have to wait as long as five years to get an installation, and when finally installed, the phone may not work.

In a proposal submitted to India's main telephone body, the Department of Telecommunications, Reliance said it would raise money to install 10 million phone lines in the next

The Reliance proposal, the most ambitious of more than 20 put to the government, says that the company would, if permit-ted, clear up nearly 60 percent of the waiting list of 2.5 million applicants in three years.

US West Inc. and Motorola Inc. have applied to operate telephone systems in parts of the country, and other foreign companies are interested.

Reliance officials said over the weekend that the company was talking with several phone companies for both technology and management input, but it did not disclose any names.

India announced plans in May to end the state monopoly on basic telephone services by allowing private companies to

not afford the estimated 300 billion rupees (\$9.6 billion) that would be required to meet the pent-up phone demand.

India has 8 million telephones for its 900 million people, mostly in urban centers, making an average of 0.9 telephones for each 100 people. This compares with ratios of 1.7 in China, 13 in Malaysia, more than 76 in the United States and 89 in Sweden.

More than 20 foreign and domestic private companies are waiting for guidelines on revenue sharing and tariffs that would decide the profitability of networks they want to build.

Several large international telephone companies have applied to the government to invest m its telephone system, some in-dividually and others in collaboration with Indian concerns. India has yet to decide how

much equity it would allow a foreign concern to hold in a joint venture. Reliance says it will be able to raise the funds needed with-

out seeking government guarantees or concessions. "We anticipate that, if grant-ed the full-service license we are seeking, we will be actively supported by the international investment community," the pro-posal said. "We expect investment flows of not less

than \$100 million per year." Analysts said Reliance raised more than \$500 million through It said the government could Eurobond issues last year.

U.S.'s Filipinos Fuel Cash Pipeline

By Karl Schoenberger

Los Angeles Times Service
LOS ANGELES — The advertisement boldly states a basic precept among Filipinos in California - people who have both feet firmly planted in a new life but maintain a deep attachment to the old one.

"Your remittance dollar supports more than just your family; it supports a nation," goes the pitch in a recent issue of Philippine News by BPI Express Remittance Corp., one of many foreignexchange services. Indeed, overseas Filipinos -- even nat-

uralized U.S. citizens who have immersed themselves in American culture -sav they feel an abiding obligation to send money home to their kin.

The term "remittance dollar" does not refer to major infusions of working capi-tal or big investments in the Manila stock exchange. Rather, it's a collective shower of small cash transfers, generated by Philippine professionals and contract workers who span the world.

Their payments add up to an incredi-ble sum — billions of dollars a year, the largest single source of hard currency for their struggling homeland.
"I still send back a few hundred dol-

lars every month," said Artemio Pagdan,

a Pomona, California, physician who emigrated in 1962. Distinctive among the huddled masses of global economic migration, overseas

Filipinos represent the elite of the labor market. They are generally well-educated and usually accomplished speakers of

Filipino women with college degrees serve as maids in Tokyo and Hong Kong. Doctors and engineers find employment in Saudi Arabia. Semiskilled laborers toil in Kuwait, and Philippine seamen ply the oceans on the world's ships.

Philippine business graduates dominate middle managements of several multinational corporations in Southeast Asia, earning wages they could not dream of at home.

Filipinos also make up one of the fastest-growing immigrant groups, accounting for more than one in every five newcomers from Asia since the end of World War II. Filipinos place a close second to Chinese as the largest Asian population in the United States.

Yet, unlike Chinese or Korean residents, Filipinos tend to scatter rather than cluster in ethnic enclaves, quickly assimilating into the American mainstream. They are, in their own words, an invisible minority, poorly organized and underrepresented in public office. But Filipinos stand out at the banks.

The U.S. Philippine community wires home about \$1 billion in cash each year. Filipinos not only support their relatives but also prop up an economy that was looted by the late President Ferdinand E.

HONG KONG - Giordano Holdings Ltd.

said Monday its net profit for the first six months

jumped 59 percent and that it was taking control

The clothing maker and retailer said it carned a net 85.3 million Hong Kong dollars (\$11 mil-

lion) in the six months to June 30, up from 53.9 million in the 1993 first half as sales increased to

its stake in Tiger, but now the Chinese business

has become profitable, said Peter Lau, the chief executive of Giordano. The turnaround has

prompted Giordano to increase its stake in Tiger

right to repayment of a 30.4 million dollar loan it

Giordano will pay for the stake by waiving its

Giordano made the loan to Tiger as part of a

The company had been losing money through

of its Chinese affiliate, Tiger Enterprises.

1.27 billion dollars from 1.11 billion,

to 51 percent from 20 percent, he said.

made to Tiger, Mt. Lau said.

Giordano Expands as Profit Rises

Marcos and, until recently, crippled by political turmoil. The 1990 census counted 1.4 million

Filipinos in the United States, unofficial estimates go as high as 2 million. Sordid stories abound of forced prostitution in Japan, physical abuse by em-ployers in the Middle East and recruitment fraud in Manila.

Despite controversy, no one is complaining about the influx of money. Annual worldwide remittances - through official banking channels as well as illicit cash-courier services — are estimated at between \$2 billion and \$6 billion.

These payments unquestionably are the largest single source of foreign-exchange reserves available to the Philippine government, providing dollars for purchasing strategic imports and making payments on a \$34 oillion foreign debt.

"The remittances by overseas Filipinos to their families are considered direct foreign aid, because they do not go through the channels of corruption," said Alex A. Esclamado, editor and publisher of Philippine News, which is based in South San Francisco, California, and has a national distribution.

Cash is routinely concealed in the traditional "balik bayen," or "homecoming," crates shipped by specialized cargo handlers. Expatriates take cash when they make visits or entrust large sums to

start-up arrangement in 1992 along with an initial investment of 200,000 dollars for its 20

percent stake. Under the start-up arrangement, Giordano had the option to buy a further 31 percent from Jimmy Lai, who founded Giordano

Mr. Lai will continue to bold a 49 percent stake

Shareholders greeted the developments by

after Giordano exercises us option and he will remain chief executive at Tiger. Mr. Lau said.

sending Giordano's shares up 11 cents, to 4.41 dollars. "This is positive," said Abbott Law-

rence, analyst at James Capel Asia. "China is so

huge a market that no one wants to pass it up."

Mr. Lau said he expected Tiger to turn "a

respectable profit" this year. He said the compa-

ny's turnaround from unprofitability was accom-

plished by slashing its work force to 500 from

about 1,000 and reducing its overhead costs.

and Tiger, by July 1995.

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• Taiwan, in an effort to help its companies save on labor costs. will soon permit firms to manufacture 633 more items in China, an Economics Ministry spokesman said.

· Guangxi, Yunnan and Guizhou, three Chinese provinces, will build southwestern China's largest refinery along with a consortium believed to be owned by the Malaysian tycoon Robert Kuok, a Beijing industry newsletter reported.

 Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co., an affiliate of Philips Electronics NV, said it had tentatively set Sept. 5 as the date it will list its shares on the Taiwan Stock Exchange.

· China's state statistical bureau released figures indicating that family incomes in China's major cities kept well ahead of inflation in the first half of 1994, the China Daily reported.

 Vietnam will set up a coal corporation bringing together various producers and distributors and has ordered all small mines to join the group or close, news reports said.

· Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd. said it would shift some of its production of injection molders from Japan to the United States, China and India to cope with the yen's appreciation.

Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. and Vietnam Posts & Telecommunications signed a memorandum of understanding to expand technical cooperation, an NTT spokesman said.

 Bailongjiang, one of China's ricbest state gold mines, was forced to close because thousands of illegal prospectors had caused serious damage to it and the surrounding environment, the news-(Bloomberg, Reuters) paper Financial News reported. AFP, Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder, Reuters,

India Imposes Fines On 10 Foreign Banks

By Sanjoy Hazarika New York Times Service.

NEW DELHI - The central bank of India has ordered fines of \$42 million against 10 foreign banks, including Citibank, Bank of America, American Express Bank Ltd. and Standard Chartered Bank, accusing them of involvement in a massive case of misrepresentation in 1991-92.

Both Indian and foreign banks were accused of misreporting millions of dollars in 1991 and 1992 and illegally diverting government bonds to make funds available to selected stockbrokers for quick speculation and to feed a stock boom. A Reserve Bank official said the fines, which were made

public last week, were for evading cash reserve requirements.

A spokeswoman for the Reserve Bank of India at Bombay. the country's commercial capital, said 20 banks, the balance of them Indian-controlled, had been ordered to respond to the proposed fines. The largest fine was imposed on Citibank, which has been told to pay \$16.1 million.

affairs division of Citibank in New York, said, "Since our portfolio management business during the 1991-92 period was relatively large, it was expected that the size of the refunds requested by the RBI, based on the formula chosen,

might be greater than for other participants."
Ravi Bhatia, a vice president for Citibank in India, said that bank had not been "involved in the main elements" of the \$1.5 billion scandal.

The Indian and foreign banks have been discussing ways of reducing the penalties but would not comment on details of their plans. Standard Chartered said it would "certainly be taking this opportunity to give the Reserve Bank of India a very full response." The newspaper Business Standard said the Reserve Bank had ordered Standard Chartered to pay nearly \$10.2 million.

Sharon Tucker, vice president of corporate communications at Bank of America in New York, said, "We did not participate in any fraudulent practices or any practices that resulted in any losses to our customers or that contributed to the problems experienced in the market."

Ex-Chief At Elders Faces Court

MELBOURNE - A magistrates' court here was told Monday that John Elliott, who once ran Australia's largest brewery, was at the center of 66.5 million Australian dollars (\$49 million) of sham foreign-exchange pay-

The alleged transactions were made in the late 1980s when Mr. Elliott headed the giant brewing, finance and agricul-tural group Elders IXL Ltd., the court was told on the first day of a hearing into whether Mr. Elliott should stand trial on charges of defrauding Elders.

legation. His attorney told the court there was no suggestion his client had made any financial gain from what he said was a legitimate foreign-exchange

tives, and the bankers Michael Woods and Victor Psaltis - ad-

The prosecution alleged that the payments were intended to repay the New Zealand compa-ny Equiticorp for help in fend-ing off a takcover bid by the late Robert Holmes à Court in 1986.

The prosecutor, Brind Woinarski; said he would present testimony from Ken Jarrett, former Elders finance director, who has already pleaded guilty.

Mr. Elliott was a major force in corporate takeovers in the (AFP, Reuters)

Mr. Elliott has denied the al-For Japanese Memory Chips

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Mr. Elliott and the others accused in the action — Peter

TOKYO — Three Jeading Japanese semiconductor makers said Monday they planned Scanlon, Ken Biggins and Peter to raise prices for memory chips creases of as much as 5 percent in personal computers.

Toshiba Corp., NEC Corp. and Fujitsu Ltd. said they were mit that the 66.5 million dollars negotiating with customers on was paid, but they say it was part of a legitimate transaction.

The prosecution alleged that Japanese chip makers last

rear raised export prices for four-megabit dynamic random access memory, or D-RAM, chips to about \$13 from \$10 to capitalize on strong demand. NEC said that starting in

September it would ask its large-lot foreign customers to help "make up for" the company's loss stemming from the dollar's plunge against the yen.

The company did not say how Taiwanese dollars (3) a share in much prices would be raised. A Toshiba spokeswoman

said a 4 percent mark-up was likely for its chips. A Fujitsu official said the

company was seeking price inon its core four-megabit D-

RAM chips.

Meanwhile, TI-Acer Inc. in
Taiwan predicted its prices for D-RAM chips would remain steady and that its first-half profit would be about the same as last year's \$45 million to \$50 million.

(AFX, AFP, Bloomberg) ■ Taiwan Listing Planned

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co. said Monday it planned to list its shares on the

an initial public offering valued at about 3.6 billion dollars.

Japan's Vehicle Sales Rose in July

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TOKYO - Motor vehicle sales rose in July, marking the second straight month of year-to-year increases after 14 months of dechne, the Japan Automobile Dealers Association said Monday. Overall vehicle sales rose 2.4 percent in July

from a year earlier, with car sales rising 1.5 percent, to 346,127 units, and truck sales rising 4.6 percent, to 149,226 units. "Income-tax cuts and summer bonus payments contributed to the increase," an associ-

ation official said, adding that the car market was now "poised for recovery, as many eco-nomic indicators signal brighter prospects." The data showed consumers were starting

to spend more and that bigger vehicles were gaining popularity.

Sales of big cars with an engine displacement of more than 2,000 cubic centimeters rose 4.1 percent, to 63,703 units, the fifth consecutive increase. Sales of smaller cars edged up 0.9

percent, the first gain in 16 months.

But vehicle sales for the six months to June were down 3 percent from a year earlier at 2,967,479 units, the association said.

In other economic news, the Finance Min-

istry said Japan's foreign-currency reserves hit a record high for the fifth month in a row. While the government would not specify a reason for the increase, reserves have been growing as the yen has strengthened, reflecting the Bank of Japan's purchases of dollars

to try to slow the yen's rise, economists said. The Bank of Japan is having to step up its dollar buying, and it will continue to do that until the dollar levels off," said Michael Lock-row, an economist at UBS Securities.

Compared with past months, the increase was small. Foreign-exchange reserves rose \$2.25 billion from June, to \$113.72 billion.

But after the collapse of trade talks between the United States and Japan over the weekend, economists predicted that Japan's

dollar reserves would climb faster in August. Also on Monday, the Bank of Japan said the average lending rate for commercial bank loans fell 0.083 of a percentage point in June from May, to 3.469 percent. The average contracted interest rate on

loans and discounts outstanding extended by Japan's 11 major commercial banks, or city banks, was down 0.031 point in June from May, at 3.894 percent. (Bloomberg, AFP)

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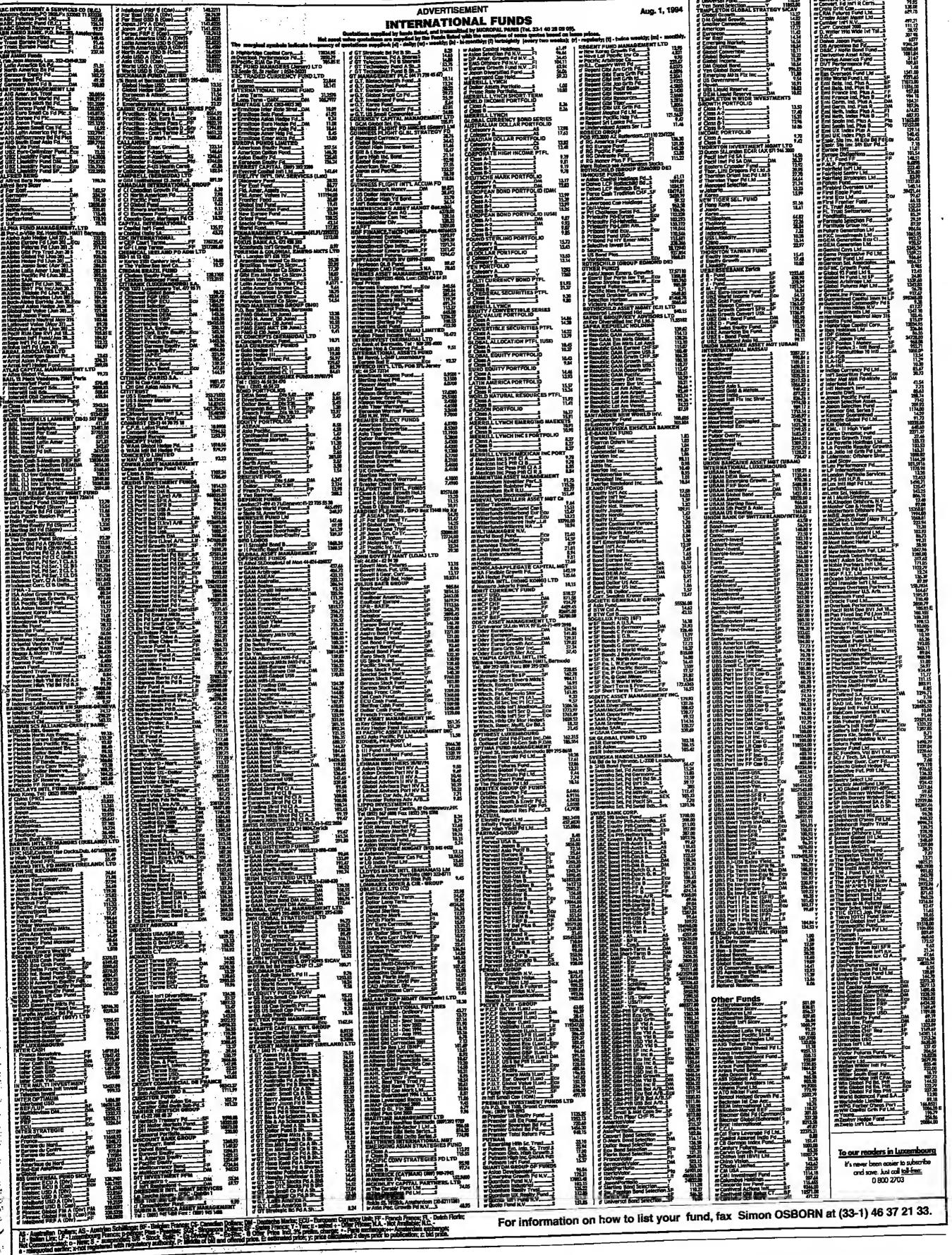
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SPORTS

Games Still Have **Turner Goodwill**

The Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG — Television ratings have been disappointing, his company stands to lose millions of dollars and the original purpose of the event no longer exists. But Ted Turner said Mooday the Goodwill Games are still worth every

Turner, chairman and founder of the Goodwill Games, said that the third editioo of the Games have been a great success and that he intends to continue staging the Olympic-style event into the

"Particularly in a country that's gone through the turmoil that this country has, there was a lot of skepticism that the Games would take place at all, that it would be a complete disaster," the Atlanta-hased media magnate said.

"lt's run pretty smoothly, everything considered. There was a lot of last-minute prepara-tions and they had trouble funding it, but this country's not in the greatest financial situation in the world. I think everything considered it's been

Turner acknowledged that TV ratings in the United States. where the event is being hroadcast hy his own Turner Broadcasting System and hy ABC, have been below expectations for the first week of the 16-day site, and Turner was tn fly there

"That's unfinrtunate." he "My plans are that we go said. "We're going to be short forward," he said. "I think this

have had the ratings . . . As far as I'm coocerned that's the only bad oews."

He also shrugged off the nr-ganizatiooal glitches which have affected the Games. These include a faulty filtration system which turned the water in the swimming pool ioto a murky color, problems in making ice for the skating rink and computer scoring errors at the gymnastics competition.

"I mean, hey, there's glitches everywhere," he said, "There's glitches at the Olympics. too."

In the day's major competition, U.S. gymnast Shannon Miller rebounded from her loss in the all-around event by collecting gold medals in the halance beam and floor exercise and silvers in the vault and uneven bars in the individual ap-

For Russia's Dina Kochetkova, who on Sunday handed Miller her first defeat in two years in an all-round competitinn, it was a bad night. She fell flat on her back during a practice vault before the start of the event and had to be helped away by her coach. She got one silver and one bronze.

With New York already selected as host of the 1998 Goodwill Games, Turner said he remained committed tn halding the event again in 2002. The Siberian city of Krasnoyarsk has been offered as a proposed Tuesday for a look.

nn the ratings, but we never is a lot of value for the huck."



Coaching debutant Barry Switzer pondering a play as his Cowboys beat the Vikings: "It was kind of neat."

Mixed Success In New NFL

The Associated Press Barry Switzer was a success in his debut in the National Football League, while the oew two-point conversion entered to mixed results.

The Dallas Cowboys, with both Troy Aikman and backup Rodney Peete throwing touchdowo passes, rolled over the Minnesota Vikings, 17-9, on Sunday night in Switzer's first preseason game as coach of the Cowboys. "It was kind of near out

there." Switzer said. Uoder the new conversion rule, teams can either kick an extra point after a touchdown - as they always have - or run or pass the ball into the end zone fnr a 2-point conversion.

after passing for 2 points in . an exhibition game defeat of the New York Giants, called it "a great play." The Los Angeles Raiders

Miami's Doug Pederson,

also went to the air, while the Kansas City Chiefs ran for two points. But The Vikings failed through the air and the

Denver Broncos, who lost to the Raiders in Barcelona, failed twice. The experiment with radio communications to the

quarterback weren't altogether successful, either.
"I couldn't tell what Joe (Montana) was saying," Kansas City quarterback Matt Blundin said. "We ended up having to go hack to hand signals for most of

the first quarter."

Britain-Ireland Keep Curtis Cup With a 9-9 Tie

OOLTEWAH, Tennessee Janice Moodie of Scotland, ing to sources close to the team. having hit ber 165-yard apconceded her putt on the final hole for a 9-9 tie with the Unit-

ed States that allowed the Brit-

ain-Ireland team to retain the

Moodie's opponent. Carol Semple Thompson, had missed her first putt, from 25 feet (7.6 meters).

Curtis Cup.

"I have been dreaming all my life to hole a putt for the Curtis Cup," Moodie said. "Turned out I didn't even have to hole the putt"

It was only the third tie since the first Cartis Cup was played in 1932. The United States leads the series, 20-5-3, but the British and Irish have now won four of the last five.

• Helen Alfredsson of Swe den, who blew a six-shot lead in the previous week's U.S. Women's Open, won the LPGA Ping-Welch's Championship in Canton, Massachusetts, by four

 Rookie Dicky Pride sank a 20-foot putt on the first hole of a three-way playoff to capture the St. Jude Classic in Memphis, Tennessee, for his first victory oo the PGA Tour.

Pride joined Hal Sutton and Gene Sauers in the playoff by sinking a 22-foot birdie putt on No. 18 after bogeying the 17th. Sauers also birdied 18 while Nick Price, winner of the British Open two weeks ago, missed a birdie putt there that would have given him a share of the

SIDELINES

Lemieux May Sit Out NHL Season

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Mario Lemieux will meet with Pittsburgh Penguins owner Howard Baldwin this week and likely will tell him he isn't healthy emough to play this NHL season, accord-

Lemienx, who missed nearly three-quarters of the 1993-94 proach on the par-4 18th to season following his second back operation in four years, has within five feet of the flag, was missed at least 25 games each of the last five seasons because of his back and Hodgkin's disease.

The Penguins would not confirm broadcast reports Sunday night that Lemieux has decided to temporarily retire from the game or will sit out the first half of the season before deciding whether to return in the 1994-95 season.

LeMond Tested for Lead Poisoning

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Greg LeMond, the three-time Tour de France winner, said he's undergoing tests for lead poisoning

and is considering retirement. LeMond, of Medina, Minnesota, was shot in a hunting accident in 1987, and 35 lead pellets remain in his body. Four of them are in his liver and lungs and two in his heart lining.

He won the Tour de France in 1986, 1989 and 1990, but said his liver and lungs and the said his liver and lungs and two in his heart lining.

ability has decreased every year. He dropped out of this year's Tour de France when he became exhausted in the sixth stage.

Indy Car Race Has It Mishaps, 100

BROOKLYN, Michigan (AP) — Scott Goodyear inherited the lead 20 laps from the end and cruised to victory in a Marlboro 500 marred by a series of broken engines and accidents that took out

Nigel Mansell, who led 220 of the 250 laps in winning the Indy car race last year, quit after 35 laps with a broken throttle linkage.

"That was the scaniest moment I've had in my entire career."

said the Michigan pole-winner. "When you are in a 240-mile-anhour slipstream into a tara you need full throttle."

For the Record

Effhymis Kioumourtzoglou, the Greek basketball team's coach; after a dispute with center Panayiotis Fasoulas, returned to Athens as his players were preparing for the World Champion-ships that start Thursday in Toronto.

Winnipeg, Canada, having beaten out Santo Domingo and Bogotá, will host the 1999 Pan American games. (AP) Yuri Arbachakov of Russia retained the WBC flyweight title hy knocking out Hugo Rafael Soto of Argentina in the eighth round

ESPN, the U.S satellite sports television network, has reached agreement with the Board of Control for Cricket in India to telecast domestic and international matches in India for the next five years. The deal does not excludes the 1996 World Cup. (AFP)

Parreira Quits Brazil, To Coach Spanish Team

two weeks after coaching Brazil to its fourth World Cup championship, Carlos Alberto Parreira arrived here Mnoday, havtake over the Spanish first division club Valencia.

He said he had chosen Valencia, a team starved of victory in recent years, because it was the first club to approach him. In Sunday's editions of the

Jornal do Brasil, Parreira said that "I've performed my missioo for Brazil by helping in the fourth world ritle conquest, and I have no desire to manage Bra-

As Brazil's coach, Parreira was constantly criticized and secood-guessed by the media and even by his mother and President Itamar Franco. Be-fore the World Cup final against Italy, he was booed by a mostly pro-Brazil crowd.

"At least I won't have 150 million people down my back,"

The Associated Press

VALENCIA, Spain — Just
wo weeks after coaching Brazil

onship teams and coach of the 1970 championship team, will take over as coach of the national team for the national te ing quit the oational squad to year. Zagalo was Parreira's assistant coach.

> Meanwhile, Brazilian superstar Romario was incurring the wrath of FC Barcelona's coach. Johan Cruyff, for taking an unauthorized vacation as the rest of the team prepared its run for a fifth-straight Spanish title. "I still haven't snoken with

him," Cruyff said Mnnday before presenting Barcelooa's lineup for the 1994-95 season. We hope he appears and when he does we'll take the decisions that have to be taken."

Romario has said he plans to remain on vacatioo in Brazil for as long as two more weeks.

"I deserve a rest," he told TV Globo on Saturday. He claimed he had tried to get in touch with club officials and added that he was "sure they'll understand."

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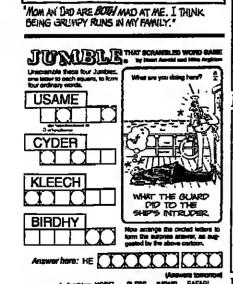
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SPORTS

Chisox Sink Mariners, Widen Lead

. The Chicago White Sox prepared for the looming strike by packing and winning The AL Central leaders

opened a two-game lead over the Cleveland Indians with an 8-1 victory Sunday over the Seattle Mariners in Comiskey

Lance Johnson hit his first grand slam in the major leagues and Wilson Alvarez held the

ALROUNDUP

Mariners to four hits in eight

The game was Chicago's final one at home before the Aug. 12 strike deadline set by the players' association. The White Sox begin a nine-game swing through the west with a game in Texas on Tuesday, so the players packed their belongings in boxes before the game.

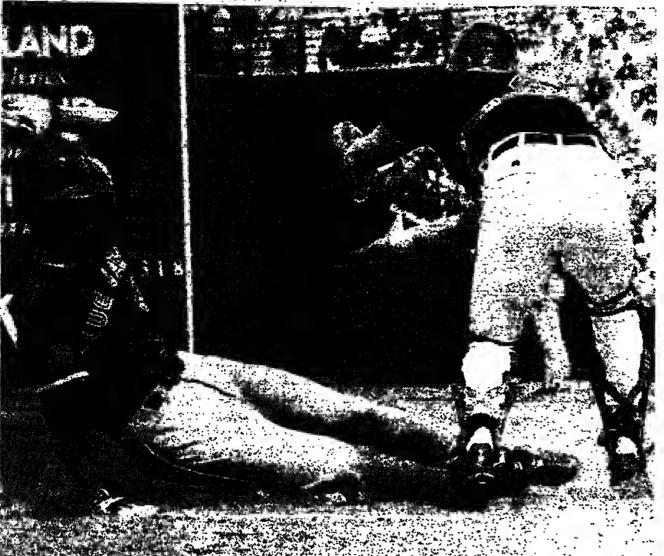
"I just hope they fix this ing." Alvarez said. "I was thing." Alvarez said. "I was thinking this might be the last game in Comiskey and I have to

do good."

If the players are ready for a strike, the fans don't seem to be. A crowd of 42,507 attended Sunday's game, pushing the series total to 126,025, the largest three-game crowd since the new Comiskey Park opened in 1991. Alvarez gave up a first-inning run on Felix Fermin's single

and Jay Buhner's RBI double, then quieted the Mariners. lim Converse, meanwhile, held the White Sox to a firstinning single and one run

through five innings. In the sixth, however, Tim Raines drew a one-out walk and Frank Thomas singled. Julio Franco struck ont but Converse. threw a wild pitch that moved Royals got three doubles during. the runners up, then intention a four-run second inning to exally walked Robin Ventura be- tend their longest winning fore Warren Newson walked on streak since August 1989."



Toronto's John Olerud, having homered and tripled, scored on a error as Baltimore continued to stide out of contention.

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In and David Howard each stop. Cal Ripken, played in his a three-run comeback in the drove in two runs for Kansas 1,999th consecutive game.

"We caught a break in one inning and blew it open," said Johnson. "It's good the Yankees are doing a number on the

Royals 9, Twins 5: Kansas City, playing at home, won its ninth straight by collecting 16 hits against Minnesota. The a 3-2 pitch to make it 2-1. John- Vince Coleman, Bob Hame-

Blue Jays 6, Orioles 4: John Olerud homered and tripled as visiting Toronto built a five-run lead and held on to beat Baltimore, which fell a season-high eight games behind New York in the East

Olerud hit a two-run shot in a four-run second against Ben McDonald, while Jeffrey Hammonds had three hits and Mark McLemore drove in two runs for the Orioles, whose short-

Angels 4, Rangers 3: Rookie ing Oakland.

Angels 4, Rangers 3: Rookie ing Oakland.

In earlier games, reported Garret Anderson's first major league RBI broke a sixth-inning in some Monday editions: tie as visiting California beat

Snow and allow the Angels to regain the lead they had squan-

seventh as Detroit edged visit-

Yankees 4, Indians I: Jimmy Key became the majors' first Anderson, who went 2-for-4 16-game winner with eight in only his fourth major-league shutout innings as New York, game, slapped a two-out single playing at home, won its 11th off Kevin Brown to drive in I. T. straight over the Cleveland. Brewers 5, Red Sox 2: Five

pitchers for visiting Milwaukee dered the previous inning.

Combined on a seven-hitter in Boston while the Brewers bene-Felix's two-run double capped fited from 13 walks.

Williams Hits Nos. 39, 40 As Giants Swat Rockies

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Matt Williams could not quite match the feat of Babe Ruth and Jimmie Foxx. But he did top Willie Mays, Johnny Bench, Willie Stargell and Mike Schmidt.

With his fifth multihomer game of the season, Williams upped his major league-leading total to 40 as the San Francisco Giants beat the visiting Colora-do Rockies, 9-4, on Sunday.
"He's bitting the ball all over

NL ROUNDUP

the place and driving in runs when they're needed," said teammate Barry Bonds, who hit his 32d homer.

Williams, who drove in five runs and increased his RBI total to 95, is the fastest to 40 homers since Reggie Jackson in 1969. He easily topped the pre-vious NL record of homers through July, shared by Mays, Bench, Stargell and Schmidt. He fell one sbort of the big league record shared by Ruth and Foxx.

"It's nice, but the important thing is to contribute to us win-Williams said in a statement issued by the team after he quickly left the elubhouse.

Williams hit an RBI single in the first, then drove in the goahead run with a long, threerun drive to left in the fourth inning and hit an even longer homer with the bases empty in the fifth.

"We tried to keep the balls down to Williams and stay ahead on the count," said the Rockies' pitching coach, Larry Bearnarth, "We feel our book on them is good, but the execu-tion of the book is not good."

Darryl Strawberry also homered, while rookie righthander William VanLandingham, now 7-1, won his fourth consecutive start. Expos 13, Marlins 4: Marquis Grissom went 4-for-5 with a Delino DeShields sparked a homer and scored after eluding four-run sixth with an RBI sina rundown as Montreal swept gle as Los Angeles won at

Sean Berry and Cliff Floyd Jeff Bagwell bit bis 36th also homered for the Expos. homer for Houston. who have won 11 of 12 and lead Cubs 9, Cardinals 7: Frank

Atlanta by 3½ games in the NL Castillo, just called up from the East. Florida concluded an 0-6 minors, won for the first time in homestand, the worst in frana year and a day as Chicago chise history. ve him a six-run lead in the Reds 2, Padres 1: Bret Boone's RBI ground out with the bases loaded in the 10th first at St. Louis. The Cardinals have lost six of seven. ■ In earlier games, reported in some Monday editions:

Matt Williams watched bomer 39 depart in the fourth.

enabled Cincinnati to win its third straight in San Diego and open a 21/2-game lead over Houston in the NL Central. Newly acquired Brian Hunt-

three in Miami.

er homered for the second Pedro Martinez walked five of the nine batters he faced, in the go-ahead run in a four-

with three walks loading the bases in the 10th.

Braves 9, Phillies 5: Jeff Blauser bad three hits, scored twice and drove in the go-ahead run as host Atlanta rallied from 5-2 deficit. Mets 6, Pirates 4: New

York's Jeromy Burnitz singled run ninth after Mike Dyer, who came on to preserve a 4-2 lead, Dodgers 7, Astros 1: Tim retired only one of the eight Wallach drove in two runs and batters be faced in Pittsburgh.

Chisox's Reinsdorf, Sounding Dovish, Calls Present Pact All Right

New York Three Service NEW YORK - For an own- current system. er who usually sounds and acts like a hard-liner, it was a re-

markable admission. With players prepared to said he does not think there are strike Aug. 12 if they don't have. 15 clubs that would vote for the a new labor agreement, Jerry Reinsdorf of the Chicago White Sox said he was prepared to continue playing baseball under the existing economic sys. votes, or three-fourths, to ap-

But he cautioned that he is in the minority among the owners, cas on, Reinsdorf said, referso his position cannot be ring to Donald Felin, the head viewed as potentially instru- of the union. Before a strike, it mental in averting a strike.

Throughout negotiations takes 21 votes." with the players union, Richard Ravitch, the owners' chief labor xecutive, has emphasized that the clubs need a new economie system that would give them cost certainty."

He has proposed a salary cap as a way of achieving that end, but the players have rejected it, strike occurs and I start to lose saying they prefer the existing

Reinsdorf, who often is seen as, but denies he is, the most influential owner in baseball, said Sunday he doesn't want a . strike to interrupt and possibly end the season, explaining that whatever the White Sox would save with a salary cap they would lose in the owners' new

revenue-sharing formula.

"I have nothing to gain by a work stoppage," he said by telephone from his suite at Comiskey Park during the White Sox game with the Seattle Mariners. I can survive under the system. I don't like it, but I can survive. We're a big market, and we

"I can't speak for anybody cise, but I would surmise there are a handful of teams in the position we are, making some tough as a keg of nails. The money, and can survive under the system. Obviously, it's not in their interest to have a work will be a compromise, but for the first time when he was

If anyone had been looking for signals in the plodding negotiations, the radar would have latched instantly onto it's too late. those comments. If Reinsdorf, who in the past has talked of taking a strike for a year or two time over the winter or next if necessary, was saying that he spring. Clinton will have to step and others could live without in and there will have to be change, could a settlement be far behind?

But then he expressed the do it then?

whole bunch of other teams suggesting that, because we that can't or don't think they hate arbitration and the players can survive under the current like it. That particular arbitrasystem, so there's no chance tion - salary arbitration - and that our side would accept it. arbitration of the basic dispute. Since you have 19 teams losing is a different matter. money, they're not going to ac"I don't see either
cept the current system. I don't in once it happens."

By Murray Chass - think there are any of the 19 that are willing to live with the

Fifteen clubs would have to vote for a new agreement for it to take effect, and Reinsdorf existing system. The problem would be compounded once a strike started, he noted, because the owners then would need 21

."That's what Don should fotakes 15 votes; after a strike, it

That juncture would be a critical time for his own position, Reinsdorf said.

"Once a strike starts, I lose money," he said. "We'll lose \$2.5 million the first week. We have seven home games, and we've sold 250,000 tickets. If a money, then I become a hawk se I have to get enough out of the deal to make my investment worthwhile."

For the moment, though, Reinsdorf said, he remains a dove. That's something no one has ever accused him of being. Ted Turner, the owner of the Atlanta Braves, said Mou-day that it looks like a strike will wipe out the rest of the season, and he urged President Bill Chinton to order govern-ment arbitration of the dispute, The Associated Press reported.

It looks like there's going to be" a strike, Turner said in St. Petersburg, where he is attending the Goodwill Games. "And have a good ballpark and a I-really think if there's going to be one, it'll be a long one. We're going to lose the World Series

owners are pretty tough, too.

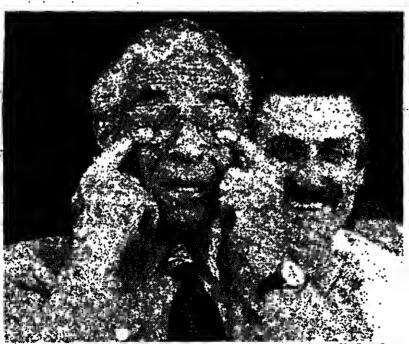
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should go to arbitration before he was on a train with no sleep-

said. "If a strike occurs, somegovernment arbitration. Why not do it now, if you're going to

"As an owner, I might get "But," he said, "there's a slapped on the knuckles by even

"I don't see cither side giving





Phil Rizzuto (left), with Rollie Fingers chortling behind, talked — and talked; Steve Carlton said being elected by the press was "like Rush Limbaugh being voted in by the Clintons."

Holy Cow! Scooter Rizzuto Talks Himself Into Hall of Fame

By Ira Berkow COOPERSTOWN, New

York - Somewhere in his acceptance speech into the Base-ball Hall of Fame on a hot day behind a school beside a cornfield, like something out of "The Field of Dreams," and with who knows how many thousands of people, because a lot were sitting, many were standing and many others lolled on the hilly grass, some-where in that speech Phil Rizzuto, speaking without notes and without what sometimes seemed a semblance of thyme or reason - not that anybody in the loving, laughing audience seemed to care, least of all the Scooter himself, who in his inimitable and wondrous digressions and ramblings actually began with "Holy cow!" since it took him 38 years after the end of his baseball career in 1956 to finally make the Hall of Fame.

Anyway, somewhere in the speech he told about leaving his home in Brooklyn, New York, they're sure far apart, aren't 19 years old and going to play hey?" shortstop in the minor-league Turner said the dispute town of Bassett, Virginia, and er, and be got his first taste of "You mark my words," he Southern fried chicken, and it was great, and it was also the first time that he ever ate -"Hey, White, what's that stuff that looks like oatmeal?" -and Bill White, his onetime announcing partner on Yankee broadcasts, whose first name, like all the Scooter's partners, he never seemed to learn, even though he knows the first and last names of a lot of the birthday celebrants he forever is an-

38 years of announcing games exhibition game during inducand after a 13-year playing cation week in 1966 that Carlton the audience and stood up and said. "Grits."

"Grits!" announced Rizzuto. "That's right. And I didn't know what to do with them, so I stuffed it in my pocket."

lyn and his family that means so much to him, especially his wife, Cora, and his baseball career or his time in the navy during World War II when he even got seasick on the ferry from New Jersey to Virginia, and people said, "He's going to protect us?" and how he said he starts stories at the end and goes back to the beginning and winds up in the middle, but he paid tribute to many, including two he was inducted into the Hall of Fame with, Leo Durocher and Steve Carlton, and told a story of Durocher being a great bench jockey as well as a great manager and when he popped a ball straight up and the catcher caught it in a World Series against the Dodgers, Durocher hollered, "That's a home run in an elevator shaft!"

And Carlton, sitting right behind him on the dais with some 30 Hall of Famers, threw back his head and laughed, old Stone Face and old Mum Mouth to the reporters, even though they voted him into the hall on the first ballot and he did thank them for it, but Lefty to the ballplayers who loved him if he was their teammate and hated nouncing and the owners of his him if they had to face his wickfavorite restaurants, even ed slider and fadeaway fastball though, as he admits, he often said that everything seems to talks about them rather than come in cycles.

the score or the game, but after . It was at Cooperstown in an

reer with championship Yankee was called up to the St. Louis teams few seem to care about Cardinals after having been this either, well. White was in sent down to the minors to and couldn't be distracted, the andience and stood up and pitch on that day to the Minnessomething Rizzuto never mindsota Twins, and he struck out 10 batters in seven innings and went on from there to strike out baseball history outside of No-

There isn't enough space here to get into Rizzuto's whole recitation of being raised in Brookham and his family that means and his family that means are place team that won just 59 games altogether that season, and he also said another old Phillie, Richie Ashburn, should be in the Hall of Fame. And

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Rizzuto said that if his voice more batters than anyone in held up - it was getting hoarse. and he was also embarked on combat with a few flies at the podium - that he could talk for a long time and if anybody wanted to leave they could, and Yogi Berra and Johnny Bench, laughing like everyone else, got up and started to walk out, and Rizzuto explained, "They took so many balls in the mask." Someone in the crowd asked

be needed to focus on pitching

ed, and after about 20 minutes

of his 30-minute confabulation,

yes, Cariton said that be didn't zuto, looking natty in his blue and beside her their son, Chris, talk to the news media because blazer and silver bair, mentioned Ruby Sabattino, "who is was unfortunate that his dad getting along in age," he said, couldn't be here for this honor "and was a little under the but felt "my father stands here weather and couldn't make it with us because he got time off up to Cooperstown and, oh, the today for good behavior. cannolis, the cannolis came last night — a day without cannolis now, gravel-voiced and emo-is like a day without sunshine!" now, gravel-voiced and emo-tional, and said: "I had the is like a day without sunshine!"
And then he said that this was the last part, and he had

written something down and adjusted his glasses and said he game they call baseball." can't read it and doesn't want to start crying, though be knows it's O.K. in a situation like this - just before him was the actress Laraine Day accepting for her late husband Durocher, of-

But -- where were we? -- oh, whose birthday it was, and Riz- ten a bad actor on the ball field,

most wonderful lifetime any man can possibly have. And I thank you for this wonderful

And everyone understood this perfectly, and laughed between tears, or cried between laughter, or just stood and ebeered. Baseball was never

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By Paula Span

ton Post Service NEW YORK — When you come right down to it, the Romance Writers of America's oational conference isn't very romantic. All the swooning and sighing is reserved for the sultry paperback covers

Among the 1,720 members in attendance at the conference here — most of them women who write in spare rooms and on kitchen tables and have yet to sell a manuscript — the real passion was to get published. The most cherished fantasy is

signing an author's contract. "Nothing can match it," promised the keynote speaker Nora Roberts, who, with 27 million copies of more than 100 titles in print, should know. "Not even really great sex."

Often the fantasy begins the way it did for Wendy Hilton-Jones, a State Department staffer from Vienna, Virginia, who first began reading ro-mances when "Sweet Savage Love" got passed around her college dorm. "You think, 'I can write as well as that." said Hil-

RWA convention to meet pub-

A De Kooning Swapped For Iranian Manuscript

International Herald Tribune

PARIS — A major painting hy Willem de Kooning has been exchanged for a 16th-century Iranian manuscript in a signifi-

cant cultural barter negotiation.

De Kooning's "Woman
Tree," one of a series of six
painted in 1953, which was acquired by the Tehran Museum of Contemporary Art in the 1970s, was handed over to the agents of a foundation representing the Arthur Houghton family. Simultaneously, the foundation presented an incomplete manuscript of the Book of Kings (Shah-Nemeh), illuminated in the royal atelier at Tabriz, Iran, for Shah Tahmasp (1524-1576), to agents of the Iranian

lished writers who dispense pointers, and editors and agents who can put them in print. "It's about the husiness of ro-

mance," said Hilton-Jones. Romances now account for close to half of all popular fic-tion sold. With \$750 million in annual sales in the United States, the genre has thrived unabated through women's libera-tion, upheaval in the publishing industry, economic downturn and the VCR.

Novice authors rarely strike it rich - advances for the previously unpublished run from \$3,000 to \$5,000. But there beckons the "mainstream" success of writers such as Roberts. Sandra Brown and Catherine Coulter, whose hardcovers appear oo natiooal best-seller

It's become a tough game to hreak into. "We have so many titles in production and under contract that we could publish into 1997 without buying another book," a Bantam editor advised 200 rapt note-takers at a workshop.

Still, 700 or so of this year's So the fantasizers came to the conventioneers have published romances, and every year several more acquire the coveted pink satin ribbon attached to their RWA nametags that indicates a first sale.

There probably were 8 million stories here, love stories that were at least 60,000 words in length, featured likable heros and heroines with strong libi-dos, and delivered unshakeably

happy endings.
At the "Five-Minute Sales Pitch" workshop, the author Debra Dixon explained how to commit the elements of romances to index cards labeled "hero," "heroine," "internal conflict." They are useful for enticing editors and agents.

Understandahly, the 236 agents and editors at the convection cao hecome a bit jumpy. "I look forward to it with real excitement and total trepidation," said Silhouette's senior editor, Lucia Macro.

Art Buchwald is on vacation.

The Life and Rough Times of Jane Roe

By Alex Witchel

New York Times Service

DALLAS — Their froot door is

made of steel new.

made of steel now. "If we stand in front of it, we won't get hit," Norma McCorvey says. "We put it in after they shot the house up in 1989. They shot up the car, too. Did you see that blue car out front? We call it the Roe-mobile."

Why would anyone want to shoot McCorvey? She's certainly no Mafia princess. She's a cleaning woman. But since 1973 she has also been Jane Roe, the plaintiff in the landmark Roe v. Wade case, which established the constitutional right to abortion. And around these parts, that hasn't made

her too popular since she publicly acknowledged being Jane Roe in 1980.
"I go shopping to Tom Thumh," she says, sitting at her dining room table, "and I am accosted by antichoice people. Men come up to me in frozen foods and say, You're responsible for bahies being killed.' Some people ruo into my hasket with theirs." McCorvey, 46, has written her life story, with Andy Meisler, m "I Am Roe: My Life, Roe v. Wade and Freedom of Choice" (HarperCollins), which besides telling its own rough tale, documents the making of the most unlikely role model in the history most unlikely role model in the history

of the women's movement.

Her grandmother was a prostitute
and fortune teller. Her father was a television repairman, her mother an alcoholic. Part Cajun, part Cherokee Indian, and raised as a Jehovah's Witness, Norma Leab Nelson was 10 when she took money from the gas station where she worked to run away

from home. After that her education came from reform schools until the ninth grade. By the time she was 15 she had been sexually assaulted by a nun and a male relative of her mother's. At 16 she married an itinerant steelworker. Woody McCorvey, who, she says, beat her. She left him and returned to her mother's house in Dallas with plans to raise her unborn child alone.

But after her daughter, Melissa, was born and McCorvey confided in her mother that her sexual preference was for women, she says her mother kid-napped Melissa, hanished McCorvey from the house and raised her granddaughter herself. McCorvey writes that when she was drunk, her mother tricked her into signing adoption papers, giving away custody.



Norma McCorvey, right, and her partner, Connie Gonzalez.

What followed were years of alcohol and drug abuse. After an affair resulted in a second pregnancy, when she was 19, she gave the baby up for adoption. (Abortion was illegal in Texas in the late 1960s, and she had no

money to go elsewhere).

By the time she had another affair and was pregnant with her third child, which became the Roe baby, she was 21. "I never considered myself a leshian then," she recalls. "I only ever slept with four or five men, but I got preg-

nant with three of them." It was then that she met Sarah Wed-dington and Linda Coffee, the lawyers who would take the Roe case all the way to the U. S. Supreme Court. Her rocky relationship with Weddington

remains a sore point.

Connie Gonzalez, who has been McCorvey's partner for the last 21 years, is 63. Her hands look strong, and though she says little, there is a

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Meanwhile, McCorvey is skittish, her attention span about 30 seconds a topic. She proudly displays a picture of her baby granddaughter, Jordan, whose mother is Melissa. (McCorvey and her daughter have had intermittent contact through the years.) McCorvey, who looks nothing like a grandmother, leads the way to her bedroom and settles onto her bed, talking like a teenager. Through it all, the constant is how hard she tries to be

Lunch is served. Gonzalez goes off to eat alooe. Gonzalez returns as McCorvey re-

treats to her room. "I loved Norma the night I saw her," Gonzalez begins. "The only thing she ever needed was her moth-

The two women met when Gonza- was just late in getting there.

iez caught McCorvey shoplifting gro-ceries from a store where she worked.

(She let her keep them.) She remembers when McCorvey fi-

nally told her she was Jane Roe. "She picked up the newspaper, twiddling her thumbs real nervous. And she told me about the Supreme Court decision. And I said, That's fantastic.' And she said, 'But you're a Catholic." And I said: 'So what? I feel a woman's got the right to choose. And she said, 'Well, I'm Jane Roe.' And I said, 'Yeah, and I'm the Pope.' "I said.' I'm not mad at you. I'm proud as hell of you."

McCorvey has returned. "I was holed up here for 14 years," she says, recalling her fear that abortion opponents would try to kill her. After the 1989 shooting she went to northern

California for a year on her own. "When I left, the TV movie 'Roc v. Wade had just come out and we were at sorts with each other, scared to death from the gunshots," McCorvey

"In 1989 I quit drinking and taking drugs, and in California I worked as a speaker."

Which leads the conversation back to her mother, whom she last saw m February. Her parents are divorced and both live in Dallas.

"I wanted her to like me," she says. Not only is her mother against abortion, McCorvey notes, but so is Melissa, who is oow 29 and married. Since she is apparently trying to foster this relationship, she doesn't say more.
Family aside, how about Weddington? What's the problem, exactly?

"Sarah sat right across the table from me at Columbo's pizza parior, and I didn't know until two years ago that she had had an abortion herself," she says. "When I told her then how desperately I needed one, she could have told me where to go for it. But she wouldn't because she needed me

A call to Weddington's law office in Austin, Texas, was returned with a message that the lawyer would be unavailable for comment.

to be pregnant for her case."

"You ask me why I hid away in this house for 14 years," McCorvey said. "People said they wanted to kill Jane Roe. You live with something like that. I had a problem and didn't know how to resolve it. I think I have now. I

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Presley Confirms Marriage to Jackson

Lisa Marie Presley, 26, daughter of Elvis Presley, has a announced she married pop sur perstar Michael Jackson, 35, in a secret ceremony outside the United States 11 weeks ago (the Dominican Republic, according to reports). The statement was issued by Jackson's pro-duction company, MJJ Produc-tions. Lisa Marie said, "My married name is Mrs. Lee Marie Presiey-Jackson." Jackson's publicist, Lee Solters, who had previously adamantly denied that the couple were married, refused to comment. The status of her marriage with musician Danny Keough, the father of her two young children, was not immediately explained. She filed divorce papers this spring, but it wasn't known whether a divorce had become final. Elvis Presley died in 1977.

Madonna has opened her heart to Norman Mailer about the life of a pop star — and the picture she paints is one of "un-believable loneliness." After her concerts, she said in an inter-view in Esquire magazine, "You sit there and you go 'There is something wrong with this picture,' because oow you feel the most loneliness. You can't go out because you are too famous to go out without everyone fol-lowing you and 20 bodyguards a so you sit in your room while everyone else is having fun being anonymous." Bot life isn't all bad. "I guess I could do worse," she said. "Poor Princess Diana!"

It doesn't look as if Don Johnson and Mehmie Griffith will get back together, accord-ing to the publicist Elliot Mintz. "They live in separate houses." Mintz said in TV Guide, "they don't talk to each other, they're represented by legal counsel, and they're sharing time with their children independently."

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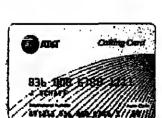
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